

Moroccan strongman dead OUFKIR 'COMMITTS SUICIDE' AFTER BID TO KILL KING

RABAT. — Moroccan authorities announced yesterday that Defence Minister Mohamed Oufkir, the second most powerful figure in the kingdom, committed suicide yesterday morning in the wake of Wednesday's assassination attempt against King Hassan.



Gen. Mohamed Oufkir about to kiss the hand of King Hassan in 1966. Inset is recent picture of the Moroccan Defence Minister. (AP radiophoto)

Fischer, Spassky adjourn

EYKJAVIK. — Boris Spassky and lobby Fischer last night adjourned the 15th game of their world chess championship with Spassky in check at the end of 40 moves.

Campaign on USSR 'ransom'

By DAVID LANDAU Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent The Israel Government and Jewish leaders abroad are hoping that the outcry against the latest Soviet anti-Jewish legislation will be even more vigorous than the wave of reaction to the Leningrad trials.

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U.N. Cyprus force needs more money UNITED NATIONS (Reuters) — Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim yesterday reported that the U.N. force in Cyprus was being run at a deficit of \$17m.

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Sinai 'dividing line' accord seen by Dayan

Jerusalem Post Reporter Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday again signalled Cairo, saying that a "dividing line" between Egypt and Israel could be drawn in Sinai that would give security to both countries.

Italians hunt two Arabs for El Al plane blast

ROME. — Police yesterday launched a massive manhunt for two young Arabs believed to have smuggled a bomb onto an El Al Boeing 707 jetliner on Wednesday by putting it in a record player which they gave to two unsuspecting British girl passengers.



El Al Captain Yehuda Fuchs gets congratulatory handshakes from passengers in Rome airport after he made an emergency landing following the blast in the luggage compartment of the Boeing-707 on Wednesday night. (AP radiophoto)

Jetliner back; praise for Captain Fuchs

LOD AIRPORT. — The damaged El Al Boeing-707 airliner was flown back here yesterday, without its passengers, who arrived a few hours earlier aboard two relief planes sent to Rome on Wednesday night.

Sadat to National Assembly Initiative after Soviet ouster

CAIRO (AP). — President Sadat yesterday accused the Soviet Union of pressuring him to surrender to Israel, and claimed that the ouster of Soviet military advisers created a new initiative for settling the Arab-Israeli issue.

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Lod Airport	17	27	17-27
Jericho	17	27	17-27
Gaza	17	27	17-27
Eilat	17	27	17-27
Tiran Straits	17	27	17-27

Social and Personal

President Zaiman Shazar yesterday received the outgoing Sierra Leone Ambassador, Mr. Philip Palmer, who also paid a farewell call on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Veshayahu.

President Shazar also received the head of the Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Judaism, Prof. Moshe Davis.

MARRIAGE

RIEK-BINENSTOK — The marriage took place on Tuesday, July 25, in Herzliya Pituah, of Miss Michela Rieck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hirsch Rieck of London, and Mr. Edward Zaiman Binenszok, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Binenszok of Philadelphia.

BIRTH

To Mira (nee Harris) and Shabtay Meshulam, a son, at Hadassah, Jerusalem, on August 11, 1972.

ARRIVALS

The head of the Tourism Department of Singapore, Mr. Ruzme Shau, for three days of talks with Israeli tourism officials, at the invitation of the Foreign Ministry.

Mr. Paul Zuckerman, general chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, and Mr. Gottlieb Hammer, executive vice-chairman of the United Israel Appeal, in connection with the forthcoming meeting of the Jewish Agency Executive and Board of Governors.

DEPARTURES

Mr. Zeev Weizman, to Johannesburg, on a fund-raising tour (by El Al).

Mrs. Clara Aronson, deputy clerk of the Knesset, to Budapest, for a congress of the International Federation of Librarians Associations.

Rabbi Norton S. Levin, rabbi of the Jewish community in Thailand, to Bangkok (by Air France).

PAYIS WINNERS

The IL150,000 grand prizes in the Mifal Hapayis lottery were drawn yesterday by tickets No. 161268 and 485500. Number 44960 won IL50,000 and numbers 177217 and 547278 won IL12,500. Tickets 283766, 487284, 588730, and 744864 won IL2,250. Tickets ending in "2" won IL4.

The following won IL1,250: 108717, 314817, 070524, 528259, 788445, 667471, 070524, 295132, 341843, 803517, 641210, 030764, 258935, 239422, 475148, 566933, 014140, 318400, 335628, 417190, and 566521.

'Show trials' next for Soviet Jews

REHOVOT. — The Soviet authorities are preparing "show trials" against Jewish scientists as the next step in their campaign of oppression against Soviet Jewry, Prof. Shmeior Lifson of the Weizmann Institute said here yesterday.

Prof. Lifson returned this week from Moscow where he attended a congress of the International Union for Pure and Applied Biophysics. He said the trials would first involve individuals or small groups of scientists in order to test world reaction.

Prof. Benjamin Levich, who was expelled from the Soviet Academy of Sciences after applying for an exit visa to immigrate to Israel, did not attend the congress, Prof. Lifson said. It is understood that he requested to attend, but his request "never reached" the organizing committee.

A scientific paper written by a team of Soviet scientists, headed by Prof. Levich, was read at the congress, but his name was deleted from the publication and from all other papers referring to his work.

"This is scientific thievery of the first order," Prof. Lifson declared, "and in my opinion the scientific world community should boycott those Russian scientists who had a hand in this by refusing to accept their papers for publication."

Prof. Lifson also told of a controversy that took place before the congress between the Russian organizers and the union's outgoing president, Nobel Prize winner John Kendrew of Britain. Prof. Kendrew had proposed dedicating one of the congress symposiums to the memory of the late Prof. Aharon Katzir, killed in the Lod Airport massacre last May. The Russians refused, so Prof. Kendrew devoted part of his opening address to a eulogy on Prof. Katzir.

In Washington U.S. Rep. Bertram Podell, N.Y.-Dem., proposed yesterday to "deliver to Soviet Ambassador Anatoly Dobrynin within 72 hours \$1m. for Soviet Jews presently incarcerated and harassed in the Soviet Union, in ransom in accordance with the recent price list."

"We are prepared to do business," Rep. Podell said in front of the Soviet Embassy in Washington. He and four other Congressmen had

asked and had been refused permission to meet with Mr. Dobrynin. They wanted to present him with the cash offer and a letter criticizing Soviet treatment of its Jewish citizens.

Rep. Podell added that "we will raise any additional funds that are necessary to bring out of the Soviet Union" the Jews wishing to emigrate.

In Tel Aviv the world executive of the Herut party resolved that its branches throughout the world would join in demonstrations against the "ransom money" decree.

In Haifa the Israeli representative of Amnesty International, Mrs. Bella Ravdin, called on the public to appeal to the organization to take up the fight against "ransom money."

N.Y. protest against 'ransom' tax

NEW YORK (INA). — An inter-faith group of clerics and academicians demonstrated yesterday in front of the Soviet mission here in protest against the "education refund" being levied on Soviet Jewish academicians trying to emigrate to Israel. Police permitted only 12 protesters at a time to enter the cordoned-off block.

Members of the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry set up what they described as a "slave-trading bloc" across from the mission with placards reading "Free the new slave of the 20th Century," "Stop academic blackmail" and other similar signs. The demonstrators, many dressed in academic caps and gowns, called on the Soviet authorities to rescind the exit tax.

A spokesman for the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, which sponsored the demonstration, said that cables were sent to President Nixon asking for his intervention on the matter and to Soviet Premier Alexei Kosygin demanding an immediate end to the new fees.

Strike continues at Steel City

ACRE. — The country's largest iron foundry and rolling mill, and the main source of locally made iron rods for the building industry in Steel City — has now been idle for a full week as a result of a strike by some 150 workers of the rolling mill.

Yesterday nearly 400 workers who did not join the strike (but were idle because of it) went on paid annual leave. Only a small force remained behind on maintenance and overhaul jobs. Koor's general manager Meir Amit (Koor owns the complex) has instructed the Steel City management not to pay the rolling mill hands for the entire period of their unauthorized strike. The others, now on "vacation," will not only get their full pay but also the premiums they would have earned had they worked.

Insurance Ins't returns to work

The 12-day strike of the 1,700 employees of the National Insurance Institute is over, the spokesman of the Civil Servants Union announced last night. He said an agreement was reached yesterday between the employees' works committee and the union over salary and fringe benefits demands.

Three T.A. beaches remain closed

TEL AVIV. — Three of the city's beaches — in Tel Baruch and in Jaffa — remained closed yesterday as the lifeguards' boycott entered its third day. The lifeguards closed down their stations at the Tel Baruch beach, the one opposite the Country Club, and the Givat Aliya beach to protest what they consider the City's failure to hire more men for the job.

The only beaches where bathing is permitted now are the beaches along the central coast. No contacts with the lifeguards were reported yesterday.

The Gahal municipal opposition has called for an extraordinary session of the City Council to discuss the strike.

OR YEHUDA SCHOOLS may have to go on split shift next year due to the absorption of 350 new immigrant families, local school officials say. The alternative of putting all the children into the existing classrooms at once would cause bad overcrowding, they add.

Navy captures Lebanese boats

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
HAIFA. — A Navy patrol craft caught three Lebanese boats inside Israeli waters off Rosh Hanikra on Wednesday night. The boats and the nine fishermen on board, aged from 15 to 42, all from Tyre, were brought to a Coastal Police base here.

The men claimed they had entered Israeli waters accidentally, while sailing south in search of fish, as their own fishing grounds were very poor. They are being held.

Legal obstacle now holding up Rabbinate vote

Another legal obstacle was thrown in the path of the forthcoming Chief Rabbinate elections yesterday. The High Court of Justice issued an interim injunction forbidding the Chief Rabbinate Election Committee from holding an assembly of *dayanim* to choose representatives for the electoral college next week until the court has decided on a legal point.

Jerusalem lawyer Menahem Yanovsky, representing Mr. David Frankel, a member of the Jerusalem Religious Council, argued that under the Election Law a man can be elected to the electoral college both as a *dayan* and as a "rabbi of a large town" — thus reducing the required number of members of the electoral college.

A case in point is Rabbi Shlomo Goren, Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv. As "a rabbi of a large town" he is *ex officio* a member of the college. But he is a *dayan* — and could as such be elected once more to the college, thereby reducing the legally required 150-man composition of the college. Mr. Yanovsky cited the Sefardi Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv, Ovadia Yosef, as another example.

Justice Kister ruled that the High Court would consider this and other claims of Mr. Yanovsky next Wednesday — and that the assembly of *dayanim* set for Tuesday must accordingly be postponed. (Nim)

Allenby Rd. may become one-way

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
TEL AVIV. — Allenby Road will probably become one way soon, Mr. Simha Kalluski, director of the Municipal Traffic Department, told the Rotary Club here yesterday.

The measure has been considered since the success of making Dizengoff and Ben-Yehuda Streets one way. Not only is traffic moving faster but pollution is much lower — because most of the fumes are produced by slow-moving vehicles, Mr. Kalluski said.

Hatzor warns of 'drastic steps'

ROSH PINA. — The Hatzor Local Council threatened Wednesday to close the main highway to the Hifa, which runs past the town, "if there is no change in the national authorities' approach" to their demands concerning housing, industry and taxes.

The Council was holding its first meeting under its new chairman, Mr. Yitzhak Zerban, following the resignation Monday of Mayor Shmuel Daznino, reportedly because of "official neglect" of the town. The Council said the road-closing would be only one of a number of "drastic measures" it would take if it got no results.

Hatzor is asking that 500 apartments for young couples and new immigrants be built between it and neighbouring Rosh Pina, and that existing housing conditions of large families be improved. The Council also wants the price of apartments to be reduced to its former figure of IL34,000, in place of the present IL52,000.

The town has called on the Ministry of Commerce and Industry to set up an industrial area in Hatzor. It is also asking the Treasury to raise the local income tax exemption (now IL400) to IL750, as in Kiryat Shmona. (Nim)

Deserter-impostor gets six years

TEL AVIV. — A man who deserted from the Army 21 years ago and lived under an assumed identity — was yesterday sentenced to six years by a military court in Jaffa.

Yonatan Klein, 39, was indicted in 1951. While billeted in a Tel Aviv hotel, he shared a room with a man named Avraham Hershkovitz. When he deserted he stole Hershkovitz's identity card and passed himself off under that name for 21 years before being apprehended. (Nim)

M.D.A. sends drugs to the Philippines

LOD AIRPORT. — Magen David Adom sent off a shipment of 300 kilos of medicine yesterday morning for the victims of the recent floods in the Philippines.

The Israeli organization offered its help to the Philippine Red Cross as soon as it heard of the floods. The drugs were sent off yesterday for the Far East (via TWA) after the Filipinos had sent in a list of wants. They are mainly antibiotics and other medicines for combating the mild form of dysentery now troubling the flood victims. (Nim)

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The Rosenkovitz family of Petah Tikva, who were seated almost directly above the spot in the El Al baggage compartment where the blast went off, tell reporters at Lod how it was. (Uzi Karim)

Italians hunt Arabs

(Continued from page One)

plane was a crack in the rear door and a hole in the top of the luggage hold.

Police experts said the explosion could have ended in disaster. They said the blast had been absorbed by the mass of luggage tightly packed in the hold and by armour plating installed by El Al as a precaution against such attempts. Experts said they believed that the record player had been primed with about 150 grams of a mixture of black powder, TNT, and ammonium nitrate. They added that if the girls' bags had been in the cabin the outcome might have been disastrous.

At a press conference last night police said the two girls arrived in Rome by train from Paris on August 3. They then found lodgings at a pension near Rome's Terminal station until August 7. On that day they met two young men who spoke perfect English and said they were Iranian. Both seemed about 24. Police added that Miss Watkins said the two men were dressed "like real gentlemen."

Eyewitnesses said the two girls collapsed in tears when told that the two Arabs, whose acquaintance they had made in Rome, were in fact saboteurs who had used them in an attempt to blow up the plane and its passengers — including themselves.

The girls confessed they had been living with the two Arabs in a Rome apartment since they met them by chance at Rome's central railway station a week ago. According to the girls, the men said they were Iranians.

The girls told police the two young men had provided them with air tickets for the Israel trip and

Geha Road dispute to High Court today

JERUSALEM POST STAFF
The fight by Ramat Hasharon residents against the widening of the Geha Road extension running behind their homes may go to the High Court today if the residents do not wait for the Knesset Ecology Committee to clarify the legal status of their dispute with the Public Works Department.

Both sides met with the Knesset Committee, which is headed by Mr. Yosef Tamir (Gahal), yesterday, a few hours after four residents of the Neve Magen quarter whose properties back up on the road — Aluf Amos Horev, Aluf-Mishne Yitzhak Ben-Dov, Dr. Ya'acov Sadeh and Mr. Moshe Pazner — announced that they would seek an order *stip* today against the work, which local wives have been blocking with sit-downs all week.

Residents and roadbuilders staged a truce yesterday. There were no local wives out on the road, and the taken number of workers and two bulldozers which the P.W.D. limited itself to stayed away from the controversial "green belt."

The threat of court action came after talks with the P.W.D. broke down over the width of the "green belt" that is to separate residents' properties from the widened road, which is being widened to reduce

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EDDIE MALKA TO HOSPITAL

TEL AVIV. — Eddie Malka, hunger-striking leader of the Panther splinter-group Blue and White, collapsed yesterday afternoon at his post in Kikar Dizengoff and was taken to Tel Aviv's Hadassah Hospital. Malka, who began his fast on Tuesday in protest against Prime Minister Meir's refusal to see him, had stopped taking liquids on Wednesday. Fellow hunger-striker Avraham Almog was continuing with the demonstration as of last night.

OVERFLOWING DUSTBINS

open sewers were among the health hazards found by inspectors at Eilat's Coral Beach when they took a look last week into numerous complaints from tourists about dustbins at the resort.

Wheel flies off truck, kills man

JERUSALEM POST REPORTER
GAZA. — A 19-year-old resident of the Muzai refugee camp here, Osh Masalam, was killed in a freak accident Wednesday, when the rear right wheel of a passing truck flew off and struck him in the head. He died instantaneously.

Police are investigating the accident to determine whether criminal negligence was involved.

Tourist drowns in Lake Kinneret

TIBERIAS. — Yitzhak Hadad, 28, a French tourist, drowned in Lake Kinneret yesterday morning. He had been swimming on the Lido beach here with friends when he went under. His friends went after him, but when they found him, after a short search, he was already dead. The body was taken to Portiya Hospital for an autopsy.

Hazani: Social tension due to high expectations

Social Welfare Minister Michael Hazani said yesterday that the current social tension arose from a revolution of rising expectations set off by the national drive for a constantly higher standard of living.

Mr. Hazani, who was speaking to a group of army officers, said the level of social services to the poor had risen impressively in the last few years. But he declared that it could never keep up with the rise in what the less-well-off expect out of life, as they gain more education and a larger share of worldly goods — especially when they see other sectors of the population constantly raising their own standard of living.

The Welfare Minister added that it was not defence or immigration, but rather the national passion for conspicuous consumption, which was diverting vast amounts of money which could be used for improving the situation of Israel's needier citizens.

At the same time, he said, all efforts at advancing the less well-off would be fruitless if there were no "social emancipation" among the people to be helped. Here the I.D.V. could play an important role, by arousing a desire for active participation among the second generation of the needy and helping them to integrate with the rest of Israeli society.

Meir hits Mapam for opposition to party policy

JERUSALEM POST POLITICAL REPORTER
TEL AVIV. — Premier Golda Meir lashed about Party leaders yesterday for strongly admonishing the Mapam Alignment partners at its Alignment Executive meeting against pursuing an independent — and often opposing line — on policies that had been already adopted by the Government and the Alignment.

This was particularly the case in respect of the Bir'im-Ilrit issue, a Jewish settlement in the Rafah area, which it was stated.

The Mapam response, as announced by Party Secretary-General Meir Ya'ari, was that Mapam was not included in policy-making on major issues and only informed about the fact. Labour Party Secretary General Aharon Yadin promised, that henceforth, there would be more regular meetings of the Alignment Executive.

A further clarification of differences will be made in today's Alignment Political Committee.

The Labour Party Leadership Bureau, meeting earlier, adopted a compromise solution on the issue of permitting party political activity in East Jerusalem, between the cities of Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek (against) and Jerusalem party branch chief Moshe Baran (for). It was decided to have the final formula drafted by a committee of which both the Mayor and Mr. Baran would serve.

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BIR'IM-IKRIT PROTEST Raya will carry flag, not cross, in J'lem

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Archbishop Joseph Raya, head of the Greek Catholic Church here, has changed his mind about carrying a cross through the streets of Jerusalem next Wednesday. He was to do so in protest against the Government decision not to allow the evacuees of Bir'im and Ikrit to return.

"Many of my Jewish friends have asked me not to go through with it," he said yesterday. "Out of respect and consideration for the feelings of my brothers, who will take offence at this personal religious gesture, I am renouncing this form of protest."

According to a press report yesterday, Archbishop Raya was also deterred by the threat of a counter demonstration by the Jewish Defence League.

The Archbishop had additionally been under pressure from leaders of the Christian Arab community to forgo his crusade, which he said he would also take to Europe and America. He told *The Post* that, instead of the cross, he would carry "our Israeli flag, as a sign of solidarity, common purpose and unity."

The demonstration is due to start out from Jaffa Gate at 4 p.m. Wednesday and to march to the Knesset and the Premier's office (instead of down the Via Dolorosa). He expects a large group of Jews, Arabs and Druse to participate, he said.

As to his plans to carry a cross abroad, Archbishop Raya said he

"hoped and prayed" the Government would reconsider its decision not to permit the Bir'im and Ikrit evacuees to return. But if the decision stands, "I shall have no alternative but to go ahead with my plan," he said.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS

The Archbishop confirmed that he was going to Lebanon, through Raeh Bankra, next Thursday, in order to attend the annual Synod of Bishops of the Greek Catholic Church at Ain Tarsas. He said he would stay in Lebanon three or four days. However, he firmly denied yesterday's UPI report that he was going to Beirut to raise the Ikrit-Bir'im campaign. "I am going to attend the Synod, and I shall not discuss the evacuees' issue at all. This is an internal affair of Israel that is of no concern to the Synod. Even Patriarch Maximus V (the former Archbishop George Hakim, his predecessor as head of the Greek Catholic community in Israel) or the bishops question me about the matter, I shall tell them to mind their own business," he said.

Meanwhile, the Independent Liberal Party yesterday appealed to Archbishop Raya to modify his personal campaign against the Government's decision on the Bir'im-Ikrit issue.

I.L.P. Secretary Yitzhak Barkai wrote to the Archbishop that the kind of "extremist" measures he has announced, such as "the crusade in reverse" throughout Europe, would only achieve the opposite aim. Moderation would facilitate a solution, he wrote.

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Shawa hits 'Palestinian leadership'

AMMAN (UPI). — Gaza Mayor Rashid Shawa said last night he was ready to help merge the Gaza Strip with Jordan following an Israeli withdrawal.

Shawa also criticized what he called the "Palestinian leadership which has deluded the Palestinian people since the early 1920s until today."

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Youth movement leaders from Denmark and other European countries pitch in alongside members of Hanoar Ha'oved Vehalomel, the Jewish Scouts, to build a ritual bath in the Shomron. During the international work camp, which ended yesterday, the 15 foreign and 45 local volunteers also built a ritual bath in the village. (Camera 13)

Owner: "Dayan wants it there"

No Gov't opposition seen to Jewish plant in Hebron

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Controversy surrounds a project announced this week by Israeli industrialist Elishah Saharav for setting up Israel's first major industrial enterprise in Hebron — a 115,000 sq. meter factory for the production of formica. But he does not expect opposition from the Government.

"I have a letter from the Prime Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, expressing her approval," he told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

A number of ministers have reportedly supported the scheme; but Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir (who recently expressed, on TV, a preference for "peace without Hebron") rather than "no-peace with Hebron") is abroad and unavailable for comment. Mr. Saharav's view is that "Mr. Sapir has never scuttled an economic venture for political reasons."

Meanwhile, Saharav claims the approval of Deputy Premier Yigal Alon, Minister Yisrael Galili ("who is enthusiastic"), Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev and — his most resolute supporter — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan. "Mr. Dayan wants it in Hebron. He told me that if I chose Tulkarm I would presumably get all the loans and other facilities, but not his personal backing. If I build in Hebron — and he warned me of the difficulties I'd encounter — Dayan would be behind me."

(In an official release last night, the spokesman of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry made it known that the plan is under ex-

amination in the Ministry for economic feasibility. "Mr. Bar-Lev has no recollection of a statement attributed to him in yesterday's 'Ha'aretz' that such investments in Hebron represent the iron and concrete of the national interest," the spokesman said.)

The project, now being examined also by the Industrial Development Bank, who would provide the loan since Hebron is a development area, will stand or fall by economic tests alone, Saharav believes.

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Own capital will be IL5m., supplied by himself and a group of foreign investors. There will be insurance cover from the Government against the political risk of Hebron's reversal to Arab rule — but this is not full compensation, according to Saharav, who points out: "One doesn't invest only money." The implication is that motives for choosing Hebron are not just commercial.

Mr. Saharav, one of the brothers who founded the Sahar Insurance Company, heads an enterprise in Pardess-Hana called Ta'al. It employs 650 workers making, among other things, furniture — which uses formica as a raw material. The Hebron plant will employ 150 people in stage one, mainly Jews settled in Hebron's Kiryat Arba quarter. "We are not building this plant to provide employment for Arabs," he told *The Post*, "though there will be some jobs for them too."

"Other Israelis want to open industries in Hebron. They are waiting to see what happens to our initiative. We ourselves intend to expand the formica plant later into a whole complex of associated industries," he predicted.

E. Jerusalem 'drug pedlar' arrested

An East Jerusalem man, in whose house police say they found ten sacks (1,635 kg.) of hashish, was remanded yesterday for 15 days by order of the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court.

The man, Yussuf Zbeida, was described as a known drug dealer. The police said the investigation was continuing. (Itim)

'T.A. criminals are only Jewish boys' Border Police, after Gaza, unhappy about new job

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The members of the Border Police unit recently withdrawn from the Gaza Strip are now busily training for their new job at the police training base in Shtar'am. On September 11, the day after Rosh Hashana, the young men are to start working in Tel Aviv, as part of the police effort to overcome the crime wave in that city.

The men are being trained in the use of revolvers, a weapon that they are not familiar with. "It's not like the Uzi we're used to; but we'll know how to use the guns by September 11," one tough-looking lance corporal said. (He was decorated for capturing two dangerous wanted terrorists in the Strip.)

In general the men are not looking forward to their new task, and some frankly expressed their fears.

"In Gaza we patrolled with our Uzis at the ready, in full view of the population. Making our presence felt was one of our main objects. When we came across a face with a terrorist, we'd either capture him or shoot him, if he carried arms and tried to use them. In Tel Aviv we'll have to be much more careful. After all the criminals there are only Jewish boys, and we'll have to be gentle."

They fear that if ever they have to open fire on robbers and injure or kill one, public opinion will turn

against them, and "soon we'll be denounced for police brutality." In Gaza, on the other hand, "if we captured or killed a terrorist the whole country was ready to pat us on the back."

The men, many of whom served in Gaza for the whole 18 months since the Border Police was sent there to fight the now-defunct terrorist cells, noted, "We got used to the mentality of the Arab terrorists. Now we'll have to start all over again studying the methods and attitudes of Jewish criminals. I suppose there are all sorts of them," one of the men sighed.

"We only hope the public doesn't look on us as killers, but only as policemen trying to do their job," one of the men said.

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They frankly admitted that when they were first told of their impending move from Gaza to Tel Aviv they had been astounded. "How come Tel Aviv? We're fighting men," was their reaction. "But what can you do, you carry out orders." Meanwhile they are cramming as many police regulations as they can, so "at least we won't do anything illegal."

One of their officers, a young inspector, told me that some of them would work in mufli and others in Border Police uniform. He said their stated aim was to "impose order and overcome the criminal gangs,"

but he too feared that the "Jewish Wars" they were about to embark on would be much more difficult and complicated for them.

"But we have a record of carrying out difficult tasks successfully; we hope we'll succeed in Tel Aviv too," he added.

A veteran (non-Border) policeman feared that the young men of the unit, trained primarily as fighting men (though they also took a regular police course on joining the force), would find it much harder to restrain themselves than an experienced constable. "These boys will use their hands if provoked, and I'm not sure how the public will react. I only hope that the public, which has been grumbling about alleged police incompetence in the face of the Tel Aviv crime wave, will not make an about-face when these boys get going."

One of the men summed up: "We were sent to Gaza to put down terrorism, and I think we did a pretty good job. Now they're sending us to Tel Aviv to suppress crime. Though we aren't very eager to fight Jews, we'll do the job."

Kenyon decries 'vandalism' by religious authorities

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The noted British archaeologist, Dr. Kathleen Kenyon, accuses the Israel religious authorities of vandalism at the Western Wall in a letter published in "The Times" yesterday.

Dr. Kenyon expresses considerable concern over the harm which has already been done to some buildings by the tunnelling operations along the Western Wall, the object of which is to render accessible the whole length of the Wall, which supported the platform of the Herodian temple.

She notes the "disastrous effects" of the work in the region of Bab el-Hadid, when the clearance was carried out by means of a tunnel supported by timber framing, and she cites the case of the former hospice for pilgrims where severe cracks appeared in the building.

"Tunnelling was stopped, and under strong pressure from the Department of Antiquities, efforts are being made to repair the damage. There are, however, rumours that tunnelling is to be resumed. The

whole length of the Wall is lined with some of the finest medieval Moslem buildings outside Cairo. It is quite criminal to risk damage to such buildings," she continues.

"It is also unbelievable that the exposure of ancient remains by tunnelling should be undertaken in the 1970s. In the 1860s this was the way Jerusalem was explored. Now, tunnelling is a hundred years out of date, and is a disgrace in a country with such excellent practicing archaeologists. World opinion should give every possible help to strengthen the hands of the excellent Department of Antiquities in opposing this vandalism."

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Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig last night told *The Post* Miss Kenyon's charges were "baseless." He said "not a stone" of the houses along this part of the Western Wall had been damaged by the tunnelling operations designed to remove an accumulation of debris and garbage and clean out wells. The work was under the "strict supervision" of safety experts, he said.

As to the Bab el-Hadid area, site of the "Little Wall," two houses which had already been marked for repair under the Jordanian administration were now being restored for return to the Arab families which had been living there. Dr. Warhaftig said the houses had been condemned by the Jerusalem City Engineer even before the tunnelling operations reached that area.

Halasseh will appeal life term for hijacking

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Mr. Jacob Henigman, defence attorney for one of the two Sabena hijackers who got life imprisonment earlier this week, is to appeal the severity of the sentence.

Speaking to *The Jerusalem Post*, Mr. Henigman said that for his client, 19-year-old Therese Halasseh, life imprisonment is like a death sentence. Mr. Henigman said he had just received an official copy of the verdict and sentence yesterday and that he planned to file his appeal next week.

Mr. Eliezer Carni, attorney for the second convicted hijacker, Rima Tannous, is on vacation and was not available for comment yesterday. Immediately after the trial he told *The Post* that he would probably appeal, but he wanted to see the official copy of the verdict first. The defence lawyers have until August 28 (14 days from the day of the sentence) to appeal.

1,500 weapons turned in to police so far

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Some 1,500 weapons, enough to arm a fair-sized army unit, have been turned in to the police in the first half of the month-long amnesty for the surrender of illegally held weapons. (At the end of this month the new, tougher gun law goes into effect.)

The location with the largest number was Tel Aviv, where more than 400 weapons have been reported at police stations. These include 186 pistols, 38 Uzis, 14 other sub-machineguns, 48 military rifles, 19 hunting rifles, four grenades, air guns and other weapons.

Foca Hirsch trial opens next month

TEL AVIV. — The trial of Tel Aviv businessman Foca Hirsch, who has been charged with refusing to answer questions in connection with \$105,000 worth of foreign currency transactions, will begin the week of September 4.

This was announced yesterday by District Court Judge Hadassah Benito, complying with the request of defence attorney Y. Tunkin, who is planning to go abroad shortly.

Dr. Hirsch, a popular figure in a Tel Aviv café society, was found in a coma when income tax investigators raided his home and business offices last May. He recovered two days later in hospital and was afterwards arrested and released on IL50,000 bail. (Itim)

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The year 1973 will be "Ecology Year" for Koor Industries, the general manager of the giant Histadrut industrial complex, Mr. Meir Amit, told the Knesset Ecology committee yesterday.

At a meeting held in Tel Aviv, Mr. Amit told the committee that his firm would do everything in its power to eliminate industrial waste and pollution in its plants, including the hiring of scientists to deal with the problem.

'Jewish Market' discussed by Knesset body

A proposal for the establishment of a "Jewish Common Market" — which would stimulate the purchase of Israeli goods by Jews abroad — particularly in the U.S. — was discussed yesterday by a sub-committee of the Knesset Economic Committee.

The idea, first presented to the 1968 Zionist Congress by Yehoshua Meshulam, a journalist from "Davar", is aimed at providing a valuable boost to local exports of household goods, foodstuffs, wines, agricultural produce and textiles.

The committee heard mixed opinions from experts of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the Export Institute, some of whom pointed out the dangers involved in promoting an export market based on sentiment, rather than on a normal competitive business approach. Nevertheless, the officials promised the Government would encourage any initiative on the part of exporters that would promote Israel's foreign sales.

The committee will study the proposals and come up with concrete recommendations to the Ministry.

Police hold suspected T.A. exhibitionist

TEL AVIV. — The Kiryat Ono police have arrested a man in the automobile business on suspicion of exhibiting the motorized exhibitionist who has been annoying Or Yehuda women for the last few months. The man, described as an Or Yehuda resident of about 40, was said to be cooperating with the police.

The arrest came after a long series of complaints about an exhibitionist who appeared before his victims in a different car each time. Police called in for questioning the owners of the cars whose licence plates had been noted down. Instead of the car owners the suspect turned up, asking what the police wanted from his clients.

The detectives noticed the resemblance between the man, whose business gives him access to cars, and the offender they were seeking. A short investigation convinced them that the suspect was using the cars his clients left with him for safaris through Or Yehuda.

The suspect, who was held for investigation, is scheduled to be brought before a magistrate for remand today. Police say they suspect him of similar offences elsewhere in the country. (Itim)

E-Tur man held 'for own safety'

A suspected knife from e-Tur, in East Jerusalem, was remanded yesterday for 10 days after he asked to be put away for his own safety.

The man, Khamis Abu-Aref, is suspected of being one of two e-Tur men who knifed two fellow villagers in a recent altercation. Abu-Aref explained in Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday that he feared for his life if he were not jailed. He said that neighbours showered him with rocks, when he returned home after being questioned the first time in the case.

Police said they were still looking for the second suspect, whom they described as a friend of Abu-Aref.

Amin to expel 10,000 more Asians

KAMPALA. — President Idi Amin said yesterday that an estimated 5,000 to 10,000 non-citizen Asian professional people previously exempted from Uganda's expulsion order would also have to leave the country.

He gave no specific deadline for their departure. But he implied they would have to leave within the three-month time limit applied to other Asian residents who are not citizens of Uganda.

Speaking when he was receiving the credentials of the new Somali Ambassador to Uganda, Mr. Hashi Abdullah Farah, Gen. Amin said, "We shall suffer for some time but it does not matter," according to the radio. He told the envoy that he was going to ask non-citizen Asian professionals to leave "because they could not serve the country in a good spirit after the departure of the other Asians."

Gen. Amin said he would ask some friendly countries to send teachers to Uganda in order to cover any shortage that might follow the departure of Asian teachers.

But he did not say what steps would be taken to replace other professionals who will be leaving the country.

Radio Uganda said Gen. Amin went on to announce that refugees would be returned to their countries. About 100,000 Rwandese and 30,000 Southern Sudanese refugees are affected. The radio mentioned no deadline for their departure.

In Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, 83 Asians, most originally bound for Uganda, faced a return sea trip to India yesterday after being barred from landing from their ship at its second East African port of call here. They arrived early yesterday morning in the Indian vessel Mozaffari from the Kenyan port of Mombasa where they had been declared prohibited immigrants.

Kenya and Tanzania have said they will refuse entry to non-citizen Asians ordered out of neighbouring Uganda. (Reuter, UPI)

Rwanda denies Amin charges

KIGALI (Reuter). — Rwanda has denied a charge by President Idi Amin of Uganda that it was harbouring Israeli-financed guerrillas to attack his country.

International Cooperation Minister Augustin Munyaneza said in a statement broadcast over the radio here Wednesday night that such allegations were "devoid of all foundation."

The minister's statement was made shortly after President Amin warned in Kampala that he would order the destruction of Kigali, Rwanda's capital, if any Ugandan were harmed as a result of Rwandan's close links with Israel.

Mr. Munyaneza said of allegations that his country was being used as a guerrilla base: "Rwanda categorically denies these false assertions and states that it is not sheltering on its soil any foreign army preparing an attack on its neighbours. The only Israelis in Rwanda are the diplomatic personnel at the embassy established at Kigali since 1964."

In his statement the minister referred to "certain foreign radio stations" as being responsible for the allegations. These broadcasts were a false manoeuvre prepared by feuded impenitents and conducted by the enemies of Africa, the minister said. He added that such people wanted to destroy the good relations between Rwanda and Uganda.

casters speak on both sides of the Atlantic. "If a man spoke American in the way recommended by my dictionary, you would be certain he was not from the east or the south of the U.S.," Mr. Windsor Lewis says. "It is the way President Nixon talks, but not ex-President Johnson," he adds. "Even President Kennedy made efforts to conform to it because he recognized that his Boston accent sounded too exclusive."

'Nixon speaks English properly'

LONDON (AP). — President Nixon speaks English properly, Presidents Johnson and Kennedy did not. So says Jack Windsor Lewis of Leeds University in his "Concise Pronouncing Dictionary of British and American English," published yesterday by the Oxford University Press. The book, designed for foreigners learning English, says they should take as pronunciation guidelines the way national television news-

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Judge's wife throws out L.R.A. bomb

BELFAST (AP). — A magistrate's wife picked up a 30-lb. bomb on Wednesday night and calmly lobbed it over her garden wall.

Seconds later the bomb exploded, blowing out the windows of her home. Mrs. Bichie Wilson, 56, was unhurt. Mrs. Wilson, wife of a resident magistrate for the Northern Ireland border town of Newry, was alone in her home on the shores of Carlingford Lough when five armed men arrived with the bomb.

Two of the gang held her down while the bomb was primed. They then ran off, warning her she had three minutes to get out. Instead she dragged the bomb to a back door and heaved it over a wall. But for this, police said, the house would have been wrecked.

Several magistrate's homes have been attacked by I.R.A. bombers during Northern Ireland's three years of violence.

Cabinet member reviews Nixon stance on M.E.

HOUSTON, Texas (UPI). — Elliot Richardson, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, said on Wednesday President Nixon has tried to achieve a peace settlement in the Middle East that would insure the survival of Israel.

Mr. Richardson told the National Convention of Jewish War Veterans that Mr. Nixon believes Israel's survival and a stable Middle East situation are vital to the interest of the U.S.

"I know all of you here today are not only veterans and Jews but above all Americans," Mr. Richardson said. "You see no need, as the President sees no need, to distinguish in the Middle East between the support of Israel and the support of the national interest of the U.S. We have sought to achieve there a stable peace that would recognize not only the right of Israel to survive within secure and recognizable boundaries but also of these being achieved security and stability in the Middle East," the secretary said.

Japan-China flight

TOKYO (AP). — Two Japanese commercial airliners returned here from Shanghai last night after carrying 208 members of a Chinese ballet troupe on the first direct flights with passengers to the Chinese mainland since World War II.

A Japan Airlines DC-8 and an All Nippon Airways Boeing-727 touched down at Tokyo International Airport after the flight of two and a half hours. The Japanese Government offered to fly home the Shanghai ballet troupe, after a month-long performance tour in Japan, as a gesture of friendship.

Only 2 of 31 survive Burmese plane crash

RANGOON (AP). — A Burmese airliner with 27 passengers and four crew on board plunged into the Bay of Bengal shortly after take-off from the coastal town of Sandoway Wednesday night.

Two survivors were picked up and one reported that others may have been thrown into the sea as the plane — a Burma Airways Dakota DC-3 — ditched. One of them said the aircraft, which was on a routine flight to Rangoon, crashed into the water not far from the coast.

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Heavy raids near Hanoi Kissinger and Thieu meet for two hours

SAIGON. — President Nguyen Van Thieu and presidential adviser Henry Kissinger met for more than two hours yesterday for their first talks in more than a year.

They gave no indications, when they met newsmen later, what specific mission brought President Nixon's foreign policy adviser to Saigon. Aides said they would meet again today before Dr. Kissinger returns to Washington via Tokyo where he will stay a day.

U.S. officials said the 20-hour interval between Dr. Kissinger's arrival and his meeting with Mr. Thieu was not a snub. Both had been busy with other meetings, they said.

South Vietnamese government sources have said the purpose of Dr. Kissinger's sudden visit is to assure Mr. Thieu of continued U.S. support. Other political sources contend Dr. Kissinger's mission is to persuade Mr. Thieu to step down as a concession to the North Vietnamese negotiators at the Paris peace talks.

In Paris a Hanoi official made it clear Thursday that North Vietnam does not believe the secret peace talks have made any progress toward settling the war. Nguyen

Thanh Le, spokesman for the North Vietnamese delegation, told a press briefing that the "private talks are just a form of negotiation" and added that the four-party plenary meetings in Paris are another form.

In the war, U.S. planes hit targets within 20 kms. of Hanoi yesterday in the heaviest day of bombing since the renewed bombings against North Vietnam began, the U.S. command said.

The command said fighter-bombers and B52 bombers destroyed or damaged eight supply storage areas, an anti-aircraft gun site, a radar site, six bridges and several trucks and boats in the Hanoi area.

Spokesmen said 370 raids by fighter-bombers and another eight missions by B52s hit North Vietnam.

New Communist assaults were reported throughout South Vietnam yesterday. The heaviest were in the area of embattled Quang Tri city. Heavy fighting in and around Quang Tri, with North Vietnamese rocket attacks and artillery, left at least 200 Communists and 25 government troops dead, spokesmen said. (UPI, AP)

Dockers defy militants, vote to end strike in U.K.

LONDON (UPI). — Thousands of longshoremen at a dozen British ports yesterday defied hard-line militants and voted to end the nationwide docks strike now in its 21st day.

Dockers at Portsmouth started immediately to unload tomatoes from the Channel Island of Guernsey.

Pub owners in the Orkneys and Shetlands, Britain's northernmost offshore islands, prepared to reopen bars they closed because of a beer and whisky drought.

Southampton dockers said their first job would be to shift 50,000 cases of oranges, lemons and grapefruit stranded in a dockside shed since the strike began on July 23.

But at Liverpool 6,000 dockers voted unanimously at a waterfront mass meeting to carry on the strike. A majority at Manchester also voted to stay off the job.

Militant shop stewards predicted longshoremen at London and Hull, two other major seaports, also would

vote to continue a wildcat walkout without union backing.

Delegates representing 42,000 striking longshoremen voted by a 53-30 majority in London on Wednesday to end the strike.

Jack Jones, head of the 1.7 million strong Transport and General Workers Union, to which most longshoremen belong, said the strike would end at midnight on Sunday.

But the decision sparked violent protests from militants. Scores of angry strikers invaded the conference hall, punched and abused dockers' leaders and knocked down Mr. Jones himself in the street outside they fought running battles with police.

Libyan war games reported by Cairo

CAIRO (UPI). — The Libyan Army was to begin a five-day military exercise yesterday, the semi-official Cairo newspaper "Al-Ahram" said.

The newspaper said the manoeuvres will be held in the presence of high-ranking Libyan and Egyptian army officers.

War Minister Lt.-Gen. Mohammed Ahmed Sadek arrived in Benghazi, Libya, on Wednesday at the head of an Egyptian military delegation.

Political sources said the delegation, which included Adm. Mahmoud Abdel Rahman, Deputy War Minister and Commander of the Navy, will attend the manoeuvres.

Cables in brief

MILITARY. — Mexico is considering introducing compulsory military service for women. Defence Minister Hermenegildo Cuernavaca said military life need not mean any lessening of femininity — any more than driving racing cars or playing football.

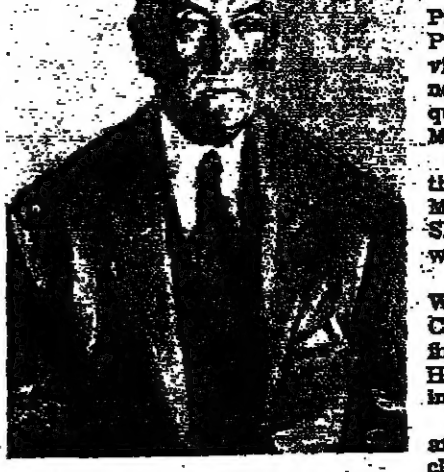
CATCH. — Gerard Muller, a 24-year-old civil engineer, caught a metre from a window in a block one-year-old boy who fell about 100 feet in Frankfurt. The child was unhurt but Mr. Muller sprained his thumb.

JUVENILE. — Police in Bremen have arrested four youths aged from 13 to 14 years alleged to have committed 400 crimes ranging from arson to street robberies involving 300,000 marks over the past two years.

LOAN. — Egypt is to receive a loan of 35 million Egyptian pounds (\$68m.) from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development. The loan is to be used for the improvement and extension of Egyptian railway communications.

WINDOWS. — City officials in Maracaibo, Venezuela, have banned cars with dark tinted, almost opaque windows, after police said they were used to conceal numerous offences against public morality.

Jules Romains dies at 86



A painting of Jules Romains by Jean Fautouche.

PARIS (Reuter). — Jules Romains, a leading figure on the French literary scene since the beginning of the century, died here on Monday, it was announced yesterday. He was 86.

Romains' international reputation was largely earned through his novels — including the 28-volume series entitled "Les Hommes de Bonne Volonte" (The Men of Good Will) — but his prolific output also included poetry and plays.

News of his death in a Paris hospital after a long illness was withheld until his burial yesterday in the Pere-Lachaise cemetery here, the resting place of many famous Frenchmen.

Although a confirmed Parisian, Romains remained deeply attached to the central France village of Saint-Julien Chaptelle, where he was born, the son of a schoolmaster, on August 26, 1885. His real name was Henri Fautouche.

Once president of the International Pen Club, he sought refuge in the U.S. after the Nazi invasion of France in 1940, and defended his country's cause in the American press and radio broadcasts. Back home after the war, he was elected a member of the prestigious Academie Francaise, the nation's leading cultural institution.

Bonn aid agreement for Israel completed

JERUSALEM (Post Correspondent). — Israel and West Germany have completed annual negotiations on an economic aid agreement, it was learned here yesterday. Formal signing of the agreement is expected soon.

It assumed by observers here there will be no change in the amount of aid which Bonn provides. Last year's agreement provided 140 million German marks.

Oufkir said a suicide

(Continued from page one) battle against rebel forces at the Kenitra base, causing an unknown number of casualties. "A number of officers and soldiers were arrested," the official said, adding, "It looks like the situation has returned to normal."

Official sources said eight of the jet fighter pilots who took part in the attack have been arrested. They include Major Kouera el Ouail, commander of the Kenitra base. One of two of the pilots appeared to be still at-large and was being actively sought in a country-wide manhunt.

In London, the Foreign Office announced that a helicopter with five Moroccan military men aboard landed at Gibraltar after a flight across the narrow straits from the rebel base. The announcement said three of them would be returned to Morocco, but the Foreign Office withheld ruling on a Moroccan request for extradition of the two passengers.

The three are the crew of the helicopter and are non-commissioned officers. They had stated that they were not implicated in the coup attempt and asked to be repatriated.

KING'S MAN

General Mohamed Oufkir long served as King Hassan's right-hand man and a formidable bulwark of his throne.

After an attempted military coup against the king collapsed in July 1971, he gave General Oufkir full civil and military powers to set the situation right. General Oufkir was Interior Minister at that time, but was made Defence Minister in the aftermath to the abortive coup.

Sources recalled that Gen. Oufkir pulled out his pistol during a cabinet meeting and threatened to kill himself when he was under fire falling to prevent the king's attempts against Hassan in July 1971.

The Defence Minister was under sentence of death by France. Gen. Oufkir, a former French Army officer, was the man, according to French, who masterminded and ordered the murder of Ben Barko, a popular opponent of the Moroccan monarch, and after having been kidnapped in front of a Paris sidewalk cafe, had him killed by loyal troops fought a two-hour Paris suburb. (Reuter, UPI)

Trudeau to visit Peking

PERKING (Reuter). — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau will visit China shortly, it was announced here yesterday at a banquet for visiting Canadian Foreign Minister Mitchell Sharp.

The announcement was made at the banquet by Chinese Foreign Minister Chi Peng-fei after Mr. Sharp held two rounds of talks with Chinese leaders.

Mr. Sharp, who arrived here on Wednesday night from the southern Chinese city of Canton, began his first round of his talks in the Great Hall of the People yesterday morning.

The discussions continued this afternoon and the Chinese side included Mr. Chi and Deputy Foreign Minister Chiao Kua-hua. Mr. Sharp is expected to have four or five rounds of talks with Chinese leaders.

Canadian sources said the topics included disarmament and trade.

At the banquet in Mr. Sharp's honour, Canada was thanked for supporting China at the U.N. General Assembly last year, when the world organization voted to grant Peking a seat and expel Taiwan.

Mr. Chi said: "It should be noted here that Canadian Prime Minister Trudeau has all along been active in promoting the development of relations between China and Canada. He has recently accepted Premier Chou En-lai's invitation and will pay a friendly visit to China in the near future."

Iceland to defy Hague court on fishing limit


THE HAGUE (Reuter). — The International Court of Justice yesterday barred Iceland from applying a 50-mile fisheries limit against Britain and West Germany next September 1. — but Iceland said it would defy the ruling.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said in Reykjavik: "There can be no turning back." He said the 50-mile limit will be enforced despite the world court's decision.

By a 14-7 majority, the world court in the Hague said yesterday that Iceland should refrain from taking any measures against British or West German vessels to enforce its decision of last July to extend the Icelandic fishing limits from 12 to 50 nautical miles.

The ruling was provisional, pending a full judgment on complaints to the court by Britain and West Germany that Iceland's decision contravenes international law.

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Spill in Italy

Madame Binh agrees Nixon missed Viet peace chance

PARIS. — Madame Nguyen Thi Binh, chief negotiator of the Vietnam peace conference, said yesterday she agreed with President Nixon's political opponents that he missed a chance to make peace when he took office in 1969.

Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate Sargent Shriver has charged that President Nixon "blew" a chance of ending the war at the beginning of his term. Mr. Shriver was backed by former chief U.S. negotiator Averell S. Harriman and his deputy, Cyprus Vance.

Addressing the 155th session of the Vietnam talks semi-public meeting yesterday, Madame Binh said the U.S. was to blame for "prolonging the impasse in which the conference finds itself."

"I should like to say that, in the search for a solution to the Vietnam problem, the Nixon administration made an error of choice from the beginning. This conference began its work in 1969 at the same time as the arrival of President Nixon at the White House. This was one of the most favourable occasions to put an end to the war, if President Nixon had wanted," she said.

Madame Binh did not mention names. Shriver, Harriman and Vance by name, but she followed her argument that by choosing to keep Saigon President Nguyen Van Thieu in power and "Vietnamizing" the war, Pres. Nixon threw away

an opportunity to negotiate peace then.

"On the contrary what (the U.S. Government) sought was a solution which would allow the perpetuation of the yoke of American neo-colonialism in South Vietnam," she said. "It is precisely for this reason that Pres. Nixon embarked on the 'Vietnamization' plan of the war and gave it priority, while all the time seeking to hamper and sabotage the work of this conference," Madame Binh said.

CLEAR SIGNALS
Mr. Shriver, who was U.S. Ambassador in Paris during the early stage of the Vietnam peace conference, and Messrs. Harriman and Vance, who negotiated with the Communist delegations, have said there were "clear signals" from Hanoi at the end of the Johnson presidency that the Communists would have made peace then.

This has been disputed by Administration supporters, including President Nixon's first chief negotiator, Henry Cabot Lodge, and former Attorney-General John N. Mitchell.

Madame Binh repeated the Communist standing conditions for peace of which she said the key points were overthrow of Mr. Thieu and installation of a transitory coalition including the Vietcong, neutrals and some members of the present government to organize elections. Demanding the immediate resigna-

tion of Mr. Thieu, she called his government "an administration 100 per cent made in the United States."

"In the interest of peace and that of the U.S., the American Government must rapidly withdraw all its troops and those of other foreign countries in the American camp from South Vietnam, at the same time ceasing to support the group in power they have set up in Saigon. Nguyen Van Thieu must resign and the Saigon administration change its policies," she said.

From Saigon it is reported that American bombing over North Vietnam reached a new peak with 370 tactical fighter-bomber strikes flown in the 24 hours to dusk on Wednesday. U.S. Command spokesman said this was nearly 10 per cent more than the previous highest figure recorded on July 13.

The targets of the bombers included a key radar site just south of Hanoi, believed to be the nerve centre for controlling MiG fighters which intercept American warplanes flying in the vicinity of the capital. Several aircraft hit the radar site 21 kms. south of the city and reported the elaborate radar equipment damaged.

Military sources said another major target for a raid by several bombers was the Xuan Mai military training complex 25 kms. southwest of Hanoi, ammunition dumps and training facilities of anti-aircraft missile crews. (UPI, Reuters)



Actress Juliet Prowse poses with her new baby and the baby's father, John McCook, at her home in Beverly Hills, California. The baby was born two weeks ago, just as the parents were about to get married at Lake Tahoe, Nevada. They now plan to be married at some future date. (AP radiophoto)

Terrorists favour Italy as operations base

By LISA PALMIERI-BILLIG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
AS Wednesday night's attempt by two English girls as unwitting kamikazes, Italy has become a favourite staging point for terrorists, perhaps because of its convenient location between central Europe and the Middle East. Since the beginning of June, when three Japanese passed through Rome unheeded on route to their massacre mission at Lod, the Italian police have been making an effort to tighten controls over foreign tourists here — no easy job, especially during the high tourist season when no one can be found in his usual abode and Italian cities are populated almost entirely by transients.

Officially, visitors to Italy must register with the police three days after their arrival in any city. If they stay in public hotels and pensions the procedure is automatic, but if they are put up in rented flats they can disappear into the general throng with no trouble at all. The 2,000 Arabs enrolled at the University of Perugia come and go freely on their student visas, becoming reciprocal pawns of Italian extremist groups who espouse the anti-Israel "cause" for their own political ends. The Italian police limit their controls over the students to keeping a check on more tangible terrorist activities such as arms arsenals in rented apartments. (Eighteen months ago in Perugia a Palestinian student with a Jordanian passport was discovered to be carrying three hand-grenades in his brief-case.) One sometimes feels that Italy is a big powder keg, what with all the arsenals that have been discovered over the past few years belonging to left extremists, right extremists, the Mafia, private interest groups or foreign capital. In addition, various political groups have "guerrilla training camps" that appear and disappear in mountain hideaways all over the peninsula.

Despite information concerning Arab activities that was supplied to them by Israel, the Italian police are very reluctant to accept the "Black September" group's claim that they were responsible for the damage caused in the recent Trieste oil terminal fire. In the chaotic history of terrorist activity in Italy over the past few years, people of all political faiths have been accused but no one has actually been convicted.

Control over air safety is another

Memorial for SS volunteers laid out in Belgian town

STEKENE, Belgium (AP). — A memorial site laid out in honour of thousands of European volunteers who died fighting in the ranks of the SS (Schutzstaffel) Nazi elite guard during World War II is being completed in this small northern Belgian town.

An austere stone slab standing on a grass plot marked out with flower beds bears this inscription: "Besides thousands of Flemings, many other volunteers from several countries died on the eastern front. Their graves have disappeared. This lawn of honour has been erected in memory of them."

A narrow path starting at the memorial's monumental gateway circles round the slab.

Though it hasn't yet been officially inaugurated, it already has drawn strong criticism from patriotic and old soldiers' organizations.

One, the Belgian National Bloc, branded it a "public homage to treason," noting that 80,000 Belgians killed in Nazi concentration camps had no graves either.

"Their bodies were cremated and their ashes spread as fertilizer on German fields," a communiqué read.

It is not known when the memorial will be inaugurated and if any official action will be taken to prevent it.

Stekene's mayor has filed a complaint against the owner of the field on which the memorial stands.

...then he went to work Briton kills noisy neighbours

SOLIHULL, England (UPI). — "We called them the moonlighters," Victor Eeles told police. "They made life absolute hell."

Eeles was talking about his next-door neighbours, James Prescott and his family. The late James Prescott and his late family.

Eeles appeared in court on Wednesday on charges of murdering Prescott, his wife Constance, 63, and their daughter Marjorie, 27. His attorney said police, from Eeles and other neighbours, had pieced together the story of a family which mounted a campaign of "fear, terror, anxiety and misery" against the whole street where they lived.

Raymond Parrish, another neighbour, once grabbed a carving knife and challenged Prescott to come out and fight. After

five years he sold his house and moved. "The torment was virtually indescribable," his wife said.

Eeles told police the Prescotts played records, loudly, over and over, simply to torment the neighbours. They shouted, swore, banged doors and walls, especially late at night. They spied through cracks and keyholes.

"It appeared to coincide with the phases of the moon," Eeles told police in a statement. "We called them the moonlighters."

Eeles took it for three years. One night, when the moon was full, he got little sleep because of the noise next door. In the morning, he loaded a pistol and spare magazines and broke into the Prescotts' house. Daughter Marjorie put her head round her bedroom door.

"I shot her a number of times,"

Eeles told police. "I heard a noise from the back bedroom, walked in and found Mrs. Prescott in bed alone. I shot her a number of times. I heard a noise downstairs. Mr. Prescott said, 'What is going on?' I fired one shot and the second time it went click I took the empty magazine out and put the full one in. He had fallen down by this time. So I fired one more shot at least."

He went back upstairs and shot the daughter several times more for good measure, Eeles said. He went home, had breakfast, kissed his wife and went to work.

Next day he drove his wife to a bank and transferred all his funds to her name. Then he went to the police and confessed. Eeles was committed for trial. No trial date was set.

Tartars launch appeal to return to Crimea

MOSCOW (UPI). — Tens of thousands of Tartars, banished from Crimea to Siberia nearly 30 years ago, launched a new appeal to regain their homeland with petitions to the Soviet leadership, a Tartar spokesman said yesterday.

Twenty thousand Tartars, exiled by Josef Stalin in 1944 for alleged collaboration with the invading Nazis, signed one petition to Leonid I. Brezhnev, General Secretary of the Soviet Communist Party, asking for a "satisfactory solution of our national problem."

Another 18,000 — though many signed both petitions — put their names on a separate petition to members of the Politburo and government appealing for "an end to the political terror and national discrimination against the Tartar people."

The Brezhnev petition ran to eight and a half single-spaced pages and was sent to the party chief in mid-June. It asked for permission to return to the Crimea, the Tartars' traditional homeland, "normal conditions" for resettling and a Crimean autonomy originally granted by V.I. Lenin, founding father of the Soviet Communist state.

"We, the Crimean Tartar people, in this important year of the 55th anniversary of the Soviet Union appeal to you, to your honour and conscience for a satisfactory solution of our national question," the petition to Brezhnev said.

"We shall strive toward this with all determination, in spite of all the difficulties, until our legitimate demands are met."

The Tartar spokesman said the reference to "political terror" in the five-page second petition was to recent police activity directed against the Tartars.

On May 18, the day of remembrance for dead deportees, police with machineguns cordoned off Tartar cemeteries in Kurgan, Bekabad, Fergana and Samarkand and arrested two Tartars for "disturbing public order," he said.

On June 12, police trying to halt the circulation of the two petitions raided homes in Samarkand, Tashkent and Fergana, the spokesman added. He said the police told residents they were looking for documents "defaming the Soviet state."

The Tartars, more than 1.5 million of whom lived in the Crimea before 1944, were legally rehabilitated and restored to full citizenship in 1967. But they were allowed to return to the Crimea only on an individual basis. So far, only 2,000 Tartar families have managed to resettle, he said.

Australia gets strong protest about Croats

CANBERRA (UPI). — A Foreign Affairs spokesman said yesterday a "strong" protest note had been received from Yugoslavia over the alleged training activities of Croatian rebels in Australia.

The spokesman said the note was delivered by Yugoslav Ambassador Uris Vidovic, together with an aide-memoire which detailed complaints that Australia had harboured rebels who had trained in Australia and had recently taken part in terrorist raids in Yugoslavia.

On August 11, Federal Attorney-General Ivor Greenwood said police investigation in Australia showed 10 of 19 rebels killed during raids in Yugoslavia were recruited in Australia, and five of them naturalized Australians.

Mr. Greenwood said if there were any rebel groups training in Australia, "the Government would deal with them."

Narcotics leading corruption woe of N.Y. Police

NEW YORK (AP). — The State Investigation Commission says narcotics law enforcement is the leading corruption problem in the New York City Police Department.

Citing testimony by undercover and regular police officers, the commission said it was apparent that some officers "went out of their way to facilitate violations of the drug laws" by known criminals.

The department, the commission said, "has devoted its major effort at the lowest narcotics violators, primarily the addict-pusher," failing to reach narcotics importers and wholesalers.

ISRAEL'S DEFENCE EXPENDITURE

In his speech yesterday, Defence Minister Dayan discussed the relative progress of Israel's forces in comparison with the Arabs. Over 90 per cent of the present security budget is invested in the Air Force, and this percentage will grow, he said.

The following is a partial text of Mr. Dayan's speech:

I will not here consider the complex of subjects which constitute the I.D.F.'s power, but will touch upon only five of them: the air force, the armoured forces, electronics, fortifications and own production.

I will go from the less to the more weighty —

Fortifications and Infra-Structure

From 1967 till April, 1973, our investments in creating a military infra-structure in the Israel-controlled territories will be about L1,384,000m. Over half of this sum, i.e. L777m, has been invested in Israel. Here, it is worth mentioning the role the cease-fire period played: the sum of L777m, about 300m., or 40 percent, were expended by the end of the war of attrition and about L477m. (80 percent) in the last two years, which have seen a time of cease-fire.

With this money we built in the territories on the other side of the green line: roads, fortification, wire communications, control installations, camps and air fields which make possible a proper military disposition and swift concentration of forces when necessary.

B. Security Production 1966-1972

1. Since the Six-Day War, industrial production has grown. Average total approximately L1370m. in 1966 to L1,800m. in 1972.

2. The munitions industry in this country has reached full capability in the production of light and medium weapons and artillery, as well as most types of ammunition.

3. In the coming years, as well, continued growth of our own security production at a rate of L250-300m. every year is anticipated.

C. Electronics

There is no other area in which the development and sophistication of means of warfare are so striking as in electronics. It was not idly that Nasser spoke of the "white screens" on his radar sets in the Six-Day War.

For us, this is to a great extent a new arena in which there is a broad field for technological imagination and vision. But it is, unfortunately, an area in which our monetary investments have also grown in a "visionary" way in comparison with the past. In 1967 we invested in electronics topics approximately L60m. of the annual budget, while in the five years from 1967 till 1972 we invested more than L1,200m. in electronics. There is no doubt that in the coming years, as well, this field will require very considerable investments, monetary and otherwise, for us to be able to achieve the objectives dictated by the development of electronics.

D. The Armoured Corps

The armoured forces of the Arab countries have grown two-and-a-half-fold in comparison with 1967 and are expected to grow to over three-fold in 1978 — again as compared with 1967. Our armoured corps has been doubled in comparison with 1967 and will continue to grow in the coming years.

Since 1967 we have removed from the array of our forces all those tanks that were defined as being of the armoured disposition is based on tanks "of good quality." These changes, of course, express themselves in handsome sums of money.

The average price of a tank that fought in 1967 was about L350,000 (at 1972 prices). The price of an improved tank in 1972 is double, about L700,000, while the price of the new tanks the armoured corps will receive at the end of the '70s will come to L2m. each.

E. The Air Force

The air forces of both Israel and the Arab countries have undergone and are undergoing a process of quantitative growth and qualitative improvement.

By 1972, the Arab air forces have grown to two and a half times what they were in 1967 and by 1978 they are expected to grow to three times what they were in 1967.

In 1972, the Israel air force has grown quantitatively two-fold as compared with 1967 and is expected to grow further.

The ratio between the planes of the Israel air force and those of the Arab countries (Egypt, Syria, Iraq, Libya) is:

In 1967: Israel 1 — Arab countries 2.2
In 1972: Israel 1 — Arab countries 3.5

Publications of the Strategic Studies Institute show the Israel air force as the largest western air force in the Middle East. According

to these data, in 1972, Israel has 374 planes, Turkey has 360, Italy 300, Greece 216 and the U.S. fleet in the Mediterranean 200 planes.

The qualitative improvement being undergone by our air force and those of the Arabs is also considerable. The Arab countries have received modern planes that were owned by the U.S.S.R. and Israel has acquired modern planes — Phantoms and Skyhawks — from the U.S.

The significance of this quantitative and qualitative growth is that we are now already investing over 50 per cent of the security budget in the air force and this percentage will not decrease, but rather will grow in the future. This arises chiefly from the rising costs of the planes.

In the Six Day War, the best plane in our possession was the Mirage. The price of the Mirage (at 1972 prices) was L6m. Today, the best plane in our possession is the Phantom, whose price varies from L2.2m. to L3.4m., depending on the model of the plane. And it may be assumed that the price of the U.S.'s next plane, which will replace the Phantom F-14 or F-15, will be at least twice or two-and-a-half times that of the Phantom, that is, over L50m.

However, our forecast of the expansion of the air force during this decade is not built on these planes. We will be very glad if our security has at its disposal the money necessary for the air force to expand with the present models of planes.

In the expansion of the I.D.F. for the coming years, the emphasis is being placed on the two decisive components: the air force and the armour. In the expected budget for the next five years, these two corps will take about 80 percent of the expansion budget and about 70 percent of the current budget, while the rest of the corps of the I.D.F. and the security establishment will have to divide only 20 per cent among them.

'Camellias' premiere at Ohel Theatre on Monday

Jerusalem Post Reporter
EL AVIV. — Aldo Trionfo, the Italian director whose version of the play 'Camellias' will be premiered at the Ohel Theatre in Tel Aviv on Monday, claims Alexander Dumas' original powerful denunciation of social and not a sickly melodrama about a problem everybody is aware

"When Dumas adapted the novel the stage in France, he operated Hollywood scriptwriters do, and mimated anything which could offend anybody," Mr. Trionfo says. It is in the novel, and Mr. Trionfo's adaptation, Dumas crucifies the pillars of society who will never accept an outsider completely. They maintain an invisible ghetto around Jews in one country, around negroes in another. In the case of Marguerite Gautier, the heroine "La Dame aux Camellias," this is the fate of a lady everybody loves and in a way respects — but who, in nevertheless reminded that, she is nothing but a prostitute.

Mr. Trionfo adapted the novel for now defunct "Teatro del Quattro" (of which he was part) and which put on the play at Venice theatre festival two years ago. Dumas' stage version was cleaned up all controversial points because the public was interested in pleasing like Hollywood trimming literary masterpieces to please the large-mass audience," Mr. Trionfo

Trionfo was "literally packed on the first train to Switzerland" the day his father read in the papers that the Italian Government had adopted racist laws in 1938. The next seven years he spent in Lausanne, studying engineering, where he met Emanuel Luzzati, also a Genoese and also a Jew, who was studying applied art. The war over, Mr. Trionfo returned to Italy to work in the cinema. It is Mr. Luzzati who has designed the sets for the Israeli production.

Mr. Trionfo is at present the head of the Turin City Theatre where he is required to direct at least three new plays a year. One of the plays is generally by an Italian author. "But Italians are at a disadvantage in playwriting," Mr. Trionfo believes. "The Italian we learn at school and speak on the stage is an artificial language, veering towards bombastic declamation — all that has been good in the Italian theatre was written in local idioms."

Another handicap is that Italy, with its small middle class, is a "difficult place for good theatre." The stage is a bourgeois art, Mr. Trionfo believes.

"We all criticize Italian theatre, because we belong to it," he says. It is like criticizing our mothers or our wives — We do it because we know them so well."

BLAST. — An underground explosion in the Siberian nuclear testing area of the Soviet Union was recorded yesterday in Uppsala, Sweden.

Dayan signals Cairo

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of late to burden them more than war itself, than Zahal's presence on force."

To bear both Israel's presence on the Canal and ineffective and bitter counter-measures was not an easy matter for Cairo, Mr. Dayan said. Yet Israel must also be prepared for a situation in which neither a general peace agreement nor a partial settlement will be attained.

In that case, Mr. Dayan said, Israel would have to continue in the path pursued for the past five years: to "live with" the Egyptians in a "settlement without a settlement," fortify its lines and military strongholds, "establish permanent settlements across the 'green line,' and above all increase our strength and assure a strong Israel defence force."

Mr. Dayan termed "unrealistic" any attempt to achieve a settlement by basing Israel's security on outside "guarantees." The U.S. he said is not willing to accept the military responsibility for maintaining borders and agreements between other states, and Israel is not prepared to rely on the Soviet Union to do so.

Even Egypt, he said, has practically foregone Soviet guarantees to defend her skies, and has preferred to accept this risk rather than entrust her security to Soviet pilots.

Reviewing the events of 1967, the Defence Minister said that the Arabs

prefer to forget the sequence of events which brought about the war. But that reality cannot be erased, he said, rather its lessons should be drawn.

"Egypt removed the U.N. forces from the Armistice lines, closed the Straits of Eilat to Israeli shipping, and its armour crossed the Sinai Peninsula in order to make its heavenly dreams come true on earth and conquer Israel... Anyone acting this way must realize that when their dreams fail to come true, because they are beaten in battle and have to fall back behind the Suez line, they cannot expect Israel to withdraw to its previous lines."

"Such is not the reward of aggression. There is no reason whatsoever why Israel should agree to return to the previous state of affairs, instead of insisting on changes that will give it added security on the Egyptian border."

Mr. Dayan opened his address by noting that this "is the quietest autumn" Israel has enjoyed for a long time.

"The only shooting heard in Israel is that of bank robbers and petrol station robbers, and the only incident in the Israel-held territories is by Israelis inciting Arab rioters against the Government."

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Balance Sheet for 31.12.1970 showing Capital, Reserves and Surplus, Insurance Funds, and Other Liabilities.

Balance Sheet for 31.12.1970 showing Investments, Shares in Other Insurance Companies, Fixed Assets, and Accounts Receivable and Cash.

CONSOLIDATED PROFIT & LOSS AND APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1971

CONSOLIDATED LIFE ASSURANCE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1971

CONSOLIDATED GENERAL INSURANCE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1971

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Notes to the Financial Statements as at 31st December, 1971, detailing policies, investments, and liabilities.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF ZION INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Auditors' report text regarding the consolidated balance sheet and accounts of the company.

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF LIFE ASSURANCE LIABILITIES AND INVESTMENTS AS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1971

Consolidated Statement of Life Assurance Liabilities and Investments as at 31st December, 1971.

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U.S. Olympic relay team runs good trial

MUNICH (AP) — The U.S. 400-metre relay squad — four men who were teamed up together until this month — came through a thunderstorm on Wednesday night as clear contenders for a gold medal in the Olympics in a pre-Olympic trial.

Splashing through puddles with the rain running down their backs, the Americans roared to a 30-metre victory over the Ivory Coast squad in a meet at Dante Stadium. Their time of 38.95 seconds in such weather was exceptionally good.

The quartet consisted of Larry Black, Robert Taylor, Gerald Tinker and Eddie Hart. They are expected to team up for the U.S. in the Olympics which start August 26.

The American performance, however, was marred by the absence of top competition. Russia, West Germany and Jamaica — the teams most likely to challenge the Americans in the Olympics — didn't enter, although all three countries have their star sprinters in Munich.

In Lawrence, Kansas world mile record holder Jim Ryun finished a 1,000-metre race in a special Olympic meet-up two-mile run on Wednesday night as Grant McLaren of Canada won the race in 8:32.0, a Canadian record.

Ryun had a time of 9:18.4, while George Young, another member of the U.S. Olympic team, was second in 8:43.2.

The Olympic flame, lit in Greece, was carried to Yugoslavia yesterday with a Rumanian wrestler leading the torch over to a Yugoslav wrestling champion.

Dimitru Prevelescu, Rumania's Olympic wrestling star, passed the torch to Branislav Simic, Yugoslav Olympic gold medal winner in wrestling, at the Rumanian-Yugoslav order.

The torch was to burn in Belgrade overnight, before proceeding north to Hungary today.



THREE AGAINST ONE — Ya'acov Eisner of Israel fights against three Britons for the ball in a pre-Olympic basketball game at Augsburg on Wednesday. Israel won 81:69, and finished third in its group. (AP radio photo)

Twelve African states may boycott Games

MUNICH — Twelve African countries have indicated they will withdraw from the 20th Olympic Summer Games if Rhodesia participates, Willie Daume said yesterday.

Mr. Daume, President of the Organizing Committee, told newsmen: "The only official withdrawal so far is Ethiopia. They followed the correct procedure by informing us through their National Olympic Committee."

The stocky German official continued: "Tanzania, Sierra Leone, Liberia, Uganda, Volta and Mali have communicated their views through their embassies or consulates." Newspaper reports from African capitals of Sudan, Somalia, Zambia, Kenya, and Ghana say their teams will also withdraw.

In Lagos, Nigeria announced yesterday that it will take part in the Olympic Games despite Rhodesia's attendance. Brigadier Henry Adegoke, President of the Nigeria Olympic Association, told reporters here: "We don't at this moment intend to call our contingent back from Munich."

Addressing a packed press conference at the new sports stadium built here for next January's African Games, Brigadier Adegoke said that Nigeria would only recall its Olympic team if it found the conditions laid down for Rhodesia's participation are not fulfilled, or if the Supreme Council for Sports in Africa decided African states should withdraw.

Ethiopia, Uganda, Mali, Sudan, Kenya and Nigeria already have athletes installed in the Olympic Village.

Ethiopian Olympic attaché Shlawi Tefera, a career diplomat, said he is preparing the team's transport home. "We shall be on the first available direct flight to Addis Ababa," he said.

Mr. Daume said the position of the International Olympic Committee remains unchanged with respect to Rhodesia. "We shall take action against the Rhodesians if they are in contravention of the agreement reached with them."

The Rhodesian delegation refused to comment. "We will gladly discuss sports, but nothing else," Chief de Mission Ossie Piskett said.

Bill Martin, Chief de Mission of the Kenyan team, confirmed he has been informed of President Jomo Kenyatta's wish that the team return home.

In Kampala, President Idi Amin has ordered Uganda's Olympic contingent to return home at the end of next week if Rhodesia is allowed to participate in the games.

Describing Avery Brundage, President of the International Olympic Committee, as "an imperialist and a racist," Amin called on African and "other progressive countries" to establish an international sporting contest from which racist countries would be barred.

In Lusaka, the President of the Zambian Olympic Association said yesterday that Mr. Brundage must retire now before he causes an irreparable split in the Olympic movement.

Mr. Wesley Nyirenda, Education and Culture Minister and President of the Zambian Olympic, Commonwealth and African Games Association, said Mr. Brundage was treating the Olympic Games as his personal property.

"At the age of 84 Mr. Brundage is too old to lead a body such as the I.O.C. and his utterances have shown that he is living only on his past glory," Mr. Nyirenda said. (UPI, Reuter, AP)

1,000 million people in 100 countries to watch Olympics

By BARRY WILSON MUNICH (FWP) —

GERMAN TV authorities estimate that more than 1,000 million people will watch the Munich Olympics live on television. Never before has so large an audience watched anything. More than 100 countries on all continents will take the Games live on TV.

The logistics are extraordinary. Twenty-one colour TV vans complete with studios, employing more than 100 electronic cameras, will cover 33 Games locations. More than 2,000 technicians and 1,200 journalists will provide continuous coverage for 15 hours a day for the 16 days of the Games. The pictures will be distributed via landlines all over Europe and by way of four orbiting satellites to every other part of the globe (Israel TV has announced special programmes by satellite).

Munich, with a population of not much more than a million, obviously regards the extravaganza as unbeatable publicity, for there has been hardly a word of anger in the Bavarian capital over the escalating cost of this year's Olympics.

When Munich was awarded the 1972 Games in 1965 the organizing committee estimated a total cost of something like \$60m. The Germans now admit that the actual cost will be just short of \$240m, involving a net loss on account of more than \$80m. In truth, of course part of the expenditure is recoverable. Construction work has swallowed up \$140m, and much of this will be sold for inner city living accommodation to house more than 10,000 once the Games are over.

At the end of the day Munich will boast maybe the finest sporting facilities of any city in the world.

Money no object

These are the extravagant Games in every sense of the word. Money seems to be no bar to anything. President of the Olympic Committee Willie Daume — himself a former Olympic basketball — has spent recent weeks with a team of scientists trying to work out how to manufacture a rainbow to salute the opening ceremony.

Winners of the big events at Munich will become, instantly, household names to hundreds of millions of people in all parts of the world. This fame will be worth thousands of pounds (or dollars, or marks or yen...) to the champions. The pressures are now becoming unbearable.

It is highly unlikely that in the foreseeable future the Olympics will ever become truly professional in the sense that prize-money will be distributed. But increasingly the top performers will become professionals in the sense that they are full-time or nearly full-time sportsmen. This is true today, certainly in Western Europe. In Eastern Europe and elsewhere the top stars are state-subsidized. The fact is that today — and was it ever otherwise? — only the rich can afford to be amateurs.

Neo-professionalism allows for wider participation. But financial incentive has rarely motivated the Olympic champion. The shot putter who finds that extra left or the 800 metres man who drags up that last final surge or the marathon runner who suddenly overcomes the agony of exhaustion is moved by something much more basic in the final analysis: the urge to be best. And that's what the Olympics are all about.

German affluence

Germany are the nouveau riches of Europe these days, and Munich the quintessential example of Germany's post-war affluence. The place bursts with self-confidence. It will also be bursting with people during the last week of August and the first week of September.

Munich is almost in the dead centre of Europe, and the fulcrum of Europe's massive motorway complex. The locals are already embracing themselves for the onslaught — or getting out, on which can be a very profitable enterprise. Organizers estimated earlier this

year that accommodation for fewer than 10,000 visitors was available in the city itself. At that time tourist-type accommodation outside the city was costing upwards of \$40 a week. Inner city residents are now reported to be sub-letting for two and three times this figure.

For the brave half-million or so tourists expected to watch the Games in the flesh — rather than "live" at home — the cost looks like being astronomical. A recent European Economic Community (EEC) survey showed Munich food prices to be the highest in Europe. Taxi fares are expected to double during the Games period.

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Czechs warned on propaganda

PRAQUE (AP) — Several Czechoslovak papers have warned that attempts will be made to influence Czechoslovak tourists and sportsmen at the Munich Olympics.

"Rude Pravo," the Communist Party daily, said Munich will be the setting place not only of sportsmen but also of various "revanchist and fascist elements" which "already now are trying to exploit the Olympic games for their own ends."

It warned that various inquiries and questionnaires will be conducted aiming at obtaining information on domestic, political and economic situations in socialist countries, and said only a step separated this from actual espionage.

The youth daily "Mlada Fronta" condemned pre-Olympic publications and passages on the famous runner Emil Zatopek and gymnast Vera Caslavskas "without actually quoting them. It criticized publications with hostile portraits and arguement manual which included a story about a Soviet sportswoman 'tearing off the state symbol of his country from his uniform shouting, 'freedom, freedom'."

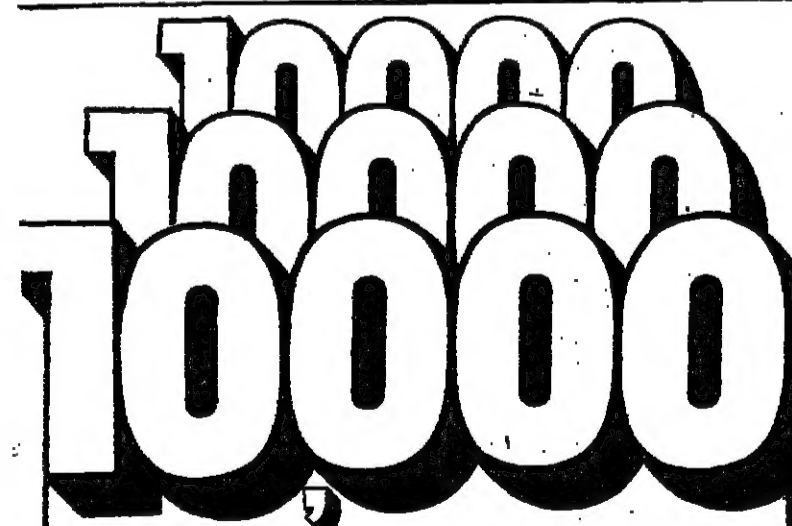
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Black widow's demise hits broker's hobby

ST. PETERSBURG, Florida (AP) — For a time, John Webster Brown thought he would have to give up his part-time business of making cross-hair sights for surveying instruments. His business partner, a poisonous black widow spider, had been devoured by a cricket and replacements seemed impossible to find.

Now, as a result of news stories about the incident, Brown says he has received phone calls from more than 50 persons who have offered spiders or eggs, or both.

"Mac," the dead spider, had supplied the delicate web needed for cross-hairs in surveying instruments. Brown, a stockbroker's representative, has repaired the instruments as a hobby for 20 years.

"Mac" was killed by a cricket that had been dropped into her glass container as dinner. "Cricket" are a spider's favourite food, but this one wasn't the common-type cricket — it was a tough one, Brown reported. "It tore her to shreds."

Brown said he found all his old spider sources had "dried up."

The morning after the first newspaper story appeared, he said, he began receiving calls. Some of the leads didn't work out, but he said he has now made arrangements to obtain a replacement for "Mac."

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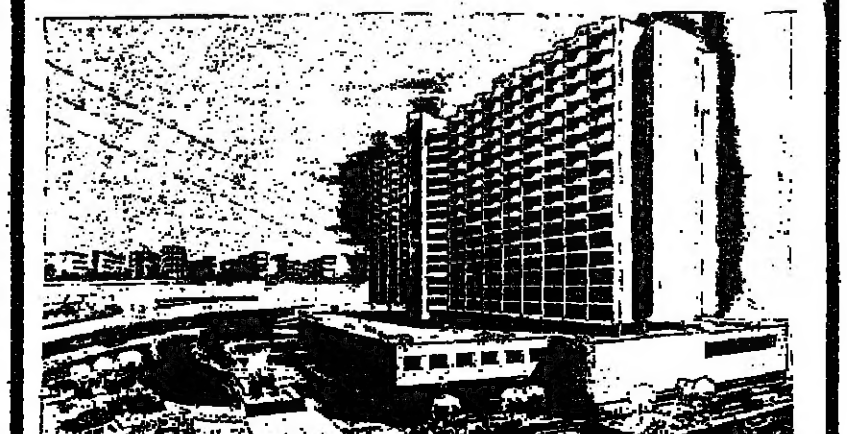
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I.D.F. troupe wins heart of Singapore

SINGAPORE (Reuter) — The world premiere performance here of an I.D.F. song and dance troupe — From Israel with Love — has won the hearts of thousands of Singaporeans, the English-language newspaper "Straits Times" said on Wednesday.

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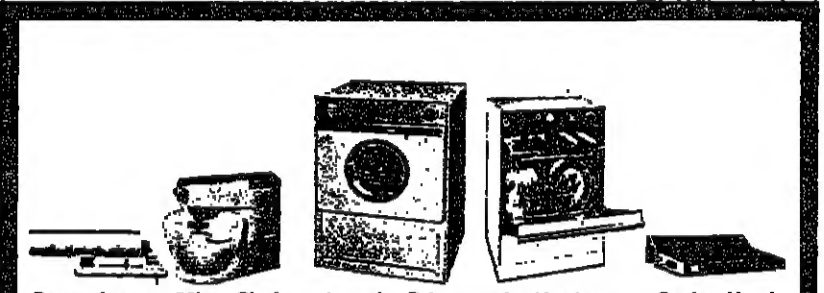


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Belgrade's consumer-protectors keep close watch on merchants

By DAVID SPURR
BELGRADE (UPI). — Three Belgrade businessmen finished their dinner at a fashionable restaurant and asked for the bill. A waiter handed them one totalling three times the normal price.

Within minutes a city emergency inspection team was on the scene, rectified the bill, and slapped a fine on the restaurant manager.

This kind of swift retribution is typical of the Yugoslav capital's 80-man market inspection force — complete with squadcars, a 24-hour switchboard, and the power to impose on-the-spot fines or issue court subpoenas.

"We average about 50 to 60 calls a day, on anything from sanitary conditions in a kitchen to the way a baker slices his bread,"

said Jovan Mileusic, Belgrade's chief market inspector.

Mileusic's staff is not a police force, and can make no arrests. But they can fine violators of market standards up to 10 dinars (\$8) on the spot, or order a court appearance where the offender faces fines up to 2,000 dinars (\$120).

"Just call 27-000 if there's any question — our number is posted on the wall of nearly every restaurant in town," said Mileusic, a man of 50 who constantly works in shirt-sleeves.

Belgrade's market inspection force is not unique to the Yugoslav capital. By federal law, similar forces operate in densely populated areas all over Yugoslavia — an inspection network that even American consumer champion Ralph Nader could envy.

"In capitalist countries, it's up to the individual merchant to regulate the quality of his merchandise and services. But here in Yugoslavia, where stores and restaurants are socially owned, uniform standards are in the social interest," Mileusic said.

Those standards can be exacting. "If a man orders a glass of brandy, he gets 0.5 deciliters (.09 pints) of brandy. Otherwise he can call us," Mileusic said.

A piece of cocoponi — Yugoslavia's version of the hot dog — must weigh 100 gm. In a restaurant, a menu must be placed on every second table. A restaurant can even be fined for having bad musicians.

The most common complaints to reach the inspectors are for overcharging or for skimpy meal portions in restaurants.

As Mileusic spoke, a switchboard buzzed nearby, an operator read off the complaints: "At the Centroprom Grocery in Zemun there are empty boxes strewn about the entrance, the store at the student college doesn't show marked prices... dust is falling all over the bread at Tatovica Street..."

Two inspectors hopped into a car and headed for the fruit store. Once there, health inspector Mile Atic inspected hands, and frowned at a serving girl's nail polish.

"What are you, a serving girl or a fashion model?" he said. The inspectors left a notice for the shop manager to appear at inspection headquarters the next day.

"Some of the people get excited, so you've got to keep a cool head," Atic said.

"We raided some restaurants the other day where we knew most of the customers to be drunks and the waitresses call girls. When they saw us coming they started to jump out the windows."

It is for such reasons that inspectors usually visit business premises incognito. As Mileusic said, "If they knew we were coming, we couldn't catch them at anything."



OUTSTANDING HORSEMAN — A riding competition was held Wednesday at the Nabulus Agricultural Fair, which closed yesterday. Participating were Israelis, West Bankers and Beduin. Top honours went to retired police officer Mordechai Medalia (above) and to Yoram Zeid, grandson of the late Alexander Zeid, one of the pioneer *shomrim* in Galilee.

Bonn minister sees no need for revaluation

NEW YORK (AP). — "Every economic analysis we make leads to the conclusion that the mark is not undervalued, so we're certainly not going to revalue," West Germany's new Minister of Economics and Finance said last week.

Helmut Schmidt, in an interview with "Newsweek," said he is a foe of inflation, but also opposed to U.S.-type wage and price controls because: "I don't really think much of trying to interfere in our autonomous play of forces with such things as wage and price controls."

He added that "higher taxes are unavoidable" for Germans who want more streets, hospitals, cleaner air and water.

Questioned about the possibility of a major reform in the world monetary system, Schmidt was quoted: "The key factor is to get international liquidity under control. We must manage the amount of money in circulation so as to avoid worldwide inflationary or deflationary tendencies... Gold will remain an important reserve medium, if only because it's not likely everybody will agree to 'demonetize' gold in the foreseeable future... Just as obviously, the dollar, as the currency of the Western world's strongest trading power, will continue to play a

leading role as the currency for commercial transactions and capital flow."

Schmidt added that closer coordination of West European economies must precede introduction of a European currency.

Asked about prospects of a Japanese trade drive on the European Common Market, Schmidt was quoted as saying: "It is perfectly understandable that Japan will try to make up for some losses in the American market by increasing exports elsewhere. But I am absolutely opposed to trying to counter these efforts — which by our standards sometimes seem pretty aggressive — with trade restrictions. What we in the Common Market have to do is prevent the Japanese from increasing sales in the community through cartel arrangements. But I think the Japanese government is increasingly coming to the conclusion that the best arrangement for everyone is the freest possible movement of international trade."

Internal tension settled, Ta'al is going strong

By Dr. MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

A few months ago Ta'al was in the news because there were rumours of tension among the plywood concern's directors. Less than a week later, however, the fact that the trouble has now been settled, that Mr. Sacharof remains general manager of the company, and that it is going strong and expanding.

In 1971 Ta'al's turnover increased 25 per cent. The forecast for the current year is 35 per cent, including a 5 per cent price rise. Net profit per share averaged 40 per cent in 1969-70, advanced to 46 per cent last year, and will probably exceed that in 1972. The dividend remained at last year's 10 per cent level, but is to be supplemented by a 20 per cent share bonus. For the time being, the balance-sheet value of the firm's shares is 216, i.e. just about their current Stock Exchange quotation. Though their price about doubled during the past year, their price-earnings ratio is still as low as four.

The reason for this scepticism is not clear even if one is not over-impressed by Ta'al's peculiar ownership pattern, with a kibbutz in partnership with private — local and foreign — capital. The company's wage bill — which may

increase 30 per cent this year — has been moving along the lines of most of our industries. The cost of raw materials, imported from West African sources linked to the franc, was driven up by the last devaluation, but it has been allowed to raise its home prices and was even able to improve its export earnings. As a matter of fact, its profit margin — both gross and net — has remained stable during the past three years, and is likely to stay that way in the foreseeable future.

Like all our plywood industry, Ta'al is heavily dependent on the supply of Okume lumber from Gabon, which is in short world supply; but it is trying to develop the processing of other varieties of mahogany and to diversify its output. Bruce boxes, which accounted for one quarter of home sales in 1968, are this year down to half as much. On the other hand, one sixth of home sales now comes from furniture. A promising new line has been started this year in the shape of pallets from die-pressed wood offal from local forests. The company is also going to expand its chipboard output by making better use of its spare capacity. Plywood proper still makes up 60 per cent of its total sales.

Home demand for plywood — and other wood products — has soared, and Ta'al's home sales are now running at more than double the volume of 1970. Further growth is expected in 1972, which would necessitate the installation of another plywood processing line.

Those with misgivings concerning export to the BEC (where Israel plywood is subject to the full external tariff of 13 per cent) and to Britain (on account of the recent sterling devaluation) seem to have left the high quality of the Israel product out of account. In any case, Ta'al has been increasing its share in our plywood export total (which is the only way to obtain a bigger share in the Okume imports, rationed by the plywood cartel). The company's investments have been running at IL2.5m. a year — i.e. one third of its depreciated fixed assets — amply covered by the depreciation funds and by the ploughed back

Exports to Britain resume next week

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — Exports to Britain, cut short by the port strike there, are set to resume early next week.

The secretary of the Shippers' Council, Arieh Mehalul told *The Post* yesterday that on Sunday empty containers will be sent to the exporters for filling with export goods. They will be returned to Haifa and Ashdod harbour for immediate loading on board the seven freighters that are laid up in the ports, waiting for the strike to end. The ships are to sail by Tuesday. At the same time it is hoped that the two Israeli ships which were caught in London port by the strike will also be able to sail with imports from Britain early next week.

Mr. Mehalul said that the three-week strike caused considerable losses to exporters, and this month's export figures will be adversely affected by the stoppage. Importers who had been expecting raw materials and tools from British manufacturers were also hit by the strike.

Some of the containers which had been standing in the port, filled with fruit juices and canned products, are being sent back to the manufacturers, as it is feared that the goods may have been affected by the long wait in the sun. They will be replaced by fresh products.

Bank licence

The spokesman of the Bank of Israel drew the attention of *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday to the fact that the licence given to the Exchange National Bank of Chicago to open a branch in Jerusalem (cited in the *Post's* report) was given last year, not this.

Therefore there is no contradiction in the statement made by the Government of the bank, Mr. Moshe Sanbar, on Wednesday, that no licences for opening new bank branches are being issued in 1972.

Mid-ear replaces eye-level rule

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Soldiers are now permitted to keep their sideburns as long as mid-ear, instead of eye-level, as required by regulations until now, the soldiers' weekly magazine, "Bama'aneh," reported this week.

The weekly also reports that 20 officers and soldiers had their driving licences suspended for six months for committing three major traffic offences in a year.

Severe drop expected in Soviet grain

MOSCOW (AP). — The Soviet press yesterday reported farmers have sowed the halfway mark in harvesting a grain crop which Western experts predict will fall far short of the nation's goals.

Purchases of Canadian and U.S. grains earlier in the year gave advance indication that Soviet officials themselves expected a disappointing harvest. Reports that the Soviets are now negotiating for even more American wheat strengthen speculation that the harvest might be even smaller than at first anticipated.

Only limited figures have been published on the harvest so far, but Western specialists roughly estimate the crop might drop to 170 million tons, 20 million tons short of the planned harvest and well below the 181 million tons reported for last year.

Some specialists say the crop might run even lower than that and note adverse indications in the past few days.

A report from the Ukraine revealed that yield per acre was off 16 per cent from last year. The Ukraine last year accounted for about 22 per cent of the total Soviet grain crop.

Furriers aim to more than triple exports

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The President of Israel's furriers has undertaken to raise their exports from the \$4m. total of 1971 to \$15m. annually within three to four years. They made the vow at a meeting on Wednesday with the Minister of Commerce and Industry Haim Bar-Lev.

The three-man Presidium, M. Astman of Tel Aviv, Y. Wolf of Jerusalem and Shlomo Kuehnreich of Haifa, talked with the Minister for 90 minutes, discussing the trades' problems and enlisting his aid.

Mr. Kuehnreich told *The Post* yesterday, that they had been greatly encouraged by Mr. Bar-Lev's understanding and helpful attitude, which augured well for the trade's future. They raised three urgent problems: the 20 per cent import levy they must pay on their material imports, which is returned only after the furs are re-exported as coats and stoles, which takes about six months; the reduction, by government order, of the six months suppliers' credit they enjoy to only three months; and the Income Tax Authorities' refusal to recognize the fur trade as an "industry" for purposes of income tax assessment. They noted that these problems created financing difficulties for the trade, hampering its development.

Mr. Kuehnreich said that the Minister promised to solve the three problems and had called the income tax stand "absurd." They had noted that Israel furriers work almost exclusively for export, mainly to Europe, as our climate makes furs virtually unusable in this country. They make 90 per cent of their sales in foreign currency, and of the remaining 10 per cent "at least half" are also sold to tourists who stayed in Israel currency. They stressed that the trade is the country's only one which has virtually no domestic market.

Market narrowly lower

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Business and Finance

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Bigger banks save on administrative expenses — and although they earn less on their deposits than the small banks their profitability is higher, according to a report published by the Bank of Israel.

During the last 20 years, the number of banks and credit societies has dropped to one-third, though assets increased (at current prices) sixfold. Many small banks have been eaten up by the larger ones. The object of the study is to check whether small banks are really uneconomic.

The conclusion is that life tends to be harder for the smaller institutions, but they can still be competitive. They have their place in the financial system, the report declares, especially where they can specialise in a particular service, such as investment in securities, or export credit.

Administrative costs increase with the number of branches, so that the benefit of sheer size is spoiled in a bank which has many branches, unless the branches themselves are big. The report observes that managers can be profitable provided the bank which engineers the take-over does not keep under-sized branches open just because it has bought them.

Average costs

Tables in the survey show that average costs carried by banks with less than IL100m. of deposits is IL6.80-IL6.80 per IL100 of deposits, whereas for the Big Three (that is, those with more than IL1,000m.) average cost is IL6.10.

All the big banks have more than 20 branches. As to the smaller ones, costs rise in proportion to the number of branches. If we take

Size of Bank (ILm. of deposits)	IL	Income (per IL100 of assets)
0-10	7.6	
10-100	7.4	
100-1,000	6.9	
1,000+	6.8	

The study, prepared by Dr. Haim Dor, is based on material dating from the time when there was still a legal ceiling to interest-rates. It is likely that the spread in earnings between large and small banks is wider today, the report hints. Also the small banks probably pay more interest on their deposits, so the spread of costs is wider too.

EL AL TO AMERICA

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Market mixed, Sanbar speech causes selling

TEL AVIV. — The share market was irregular yesterday; 41 shares moved down, 30 up, and 51 remained unchanged. The total of IL53,000 worth of shares were traded, IL845,000 of them in the variables.

There is no doubt that yesterday's speech by Mr. Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, to the Jerusalem Economic Club had its impact on the market; his warning about measures to be taken in order to dampen the increase in the means of payment caused profit-taking in the early hours of trading. The fact that there is too much money around brought in new buyers towards the close. But this does not mean that the consequences of Mr. Sanbar's speech can already be discounted. Speculators should be cautious; but as long as

The liquid funds turn to productive investments through the stock market, the Governor will achieve his aim.

The General Index of Share Prices fell by 0.19 per cent to stand at 256.30.

The banking section was not affected by the profit-taking, and prices remained unchanged or rose a point.

In the financial section Clal Industries lost 1 1/2 to 181.5. Hassneh lost 2 1/2 to 193.5, but Central Trade rose four points to 211 — a new yearly high. Wolfson was slightly erratic, opening unchanged at 129.5, falling to 128 and finally closing at 129, half a point down for the day with 150,600 shares changing hands.

Land and land developers went lower throughout, but the biggest loser was I.L.D.C. Registered, which is not significant. The bearer share of this company opened down 3 at 295.5, dropped to 293, but regained towards the close to 297.5 — only one point lower than the previous close (84,300 shares were traded).

The industrial section was definitely irregular: Alliance and Dubek down 10; Ata "C" down 1 at 170 (on very low volume: 16,900); Electra ILL up 2 1/2 to 282.5; Cold Storage down 6.5 to 373; Phoenixia up 2 to 117; Teva up 3 to 941.

Investment companies were mixed but mostly unchanged. Sudden interest in oil caused Naphta to gain 1 1/2 to 74 and Lapidot 4 to 160.

Dollar bonds were steady. Cost-of-Living bonds firmer, with IL2.7m. traded. Natad rose 3 agorot to IL4.27, with 998,800 traded.

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BOAC blames losses on hijacking measures

LONDON (UPI). — State-owned British Overseas Airways Corp. (BOAC) yesterday announced a loss for the year and blamed measures against hijacking for some of it.

The airline said its books were in the red by £1.4m. for the year which ended March 31. It is the first loss in eight years.

A BOAC statement said its actual operations made a profit of £2m. during the year, but non-operational expenditure, debt servicing and tax adjustments turned that into an overall loss.

It blamed "vigilance against hijacking, which has to be maintained despite its effect on punctuality and costs," and government decisions transferring some of its routes to other airlines for the bulk of its losses.

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An act of cruel cynicism

THE Soviet imposition of huge "ransom" payments on intellectuals and professionals wishing to emigrate is an act of cruel cynicism. The Kremlin has apparently decided it can no longer afford the ongoing trickle of Jewish scientists and intellectuals leaving Russia for Israel together with Georgian tailors and Latvian workmen. They must "refund the cost of their education" before they leave — and refund it with sums out of all proportion to the real cost of their training.

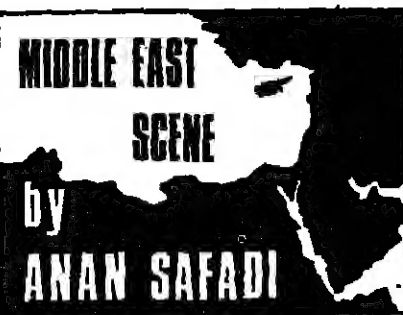
LOCAL PRESS

Soviet ransom demand for Jewish professionals

The new Soviet law that college-educated Jews must repay the cost of their education before leaving for Israel occupies the editorials for the second day. Ha'aretz (non-party) expresses astonishment at the contradictory behaviour of the Soviets. They have been granting exit visas to a certain number of Jews, but at the same time they continue to persecute Jews who apply for them. The latest measure, the paper writes, is a calculated attempt to reduce the flow of emigration and to make it impossible for Jews who are capable of contributing to Israel's progress.

Hassan's respite may be short-lived

"THE revolution is not over" in Morocco. The fanatic regime of Colonel Mu'ammer Gaddafi in Libya has been promising this ever since the abortive coup against King Hassan in July of last year. With a stream of rhetoric against King Hassan, Libya has been urging that the Moroccan army "try again" to topple the monarchy. Royal Arab regimes have been a target, not necessarily of internal challengers but rather of other Arab regimes which refer to themselves as "revolutionary" or "progressive."



Wednesday's attempt by the rebel Moroccan jet pilots to shoot down King Hassan on his arrival in Rabat came as no surprise, and could hardly be taken as an indication that Libyan influence has grown to the point of organizing coups in other Arab states.

March 1965. While the peasant population tends towards a blind allegiance to their king, whose dynasty they trace back to the prophet Mohammed, three major factors have alienated the urban masses: Fully half of the urban under-thirty population is out of work. Government efforts to alleviate this problem, including international loans and five-year plans, seem to have failed at even their modest target of increasing employment opportunities by 2.5 per cent. Population increase alone is now running at over four per cent.

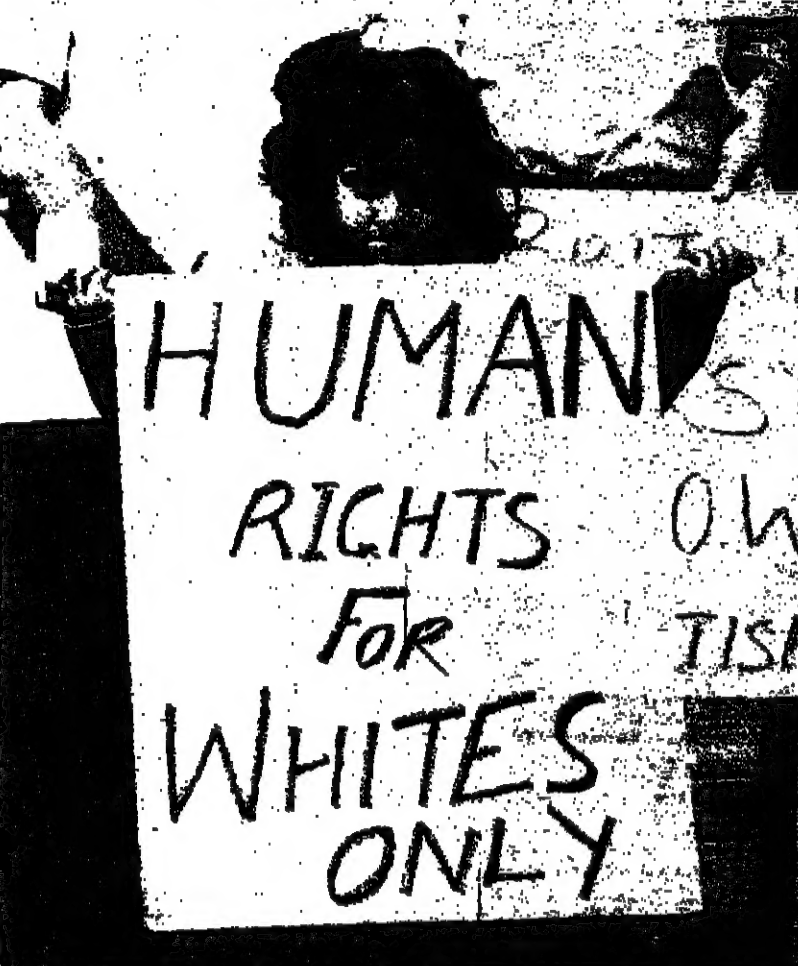
In the face of these challenges, King Hassan appears to be gradually losing support despite his repeated attempts at introducing liberal reforms. He has taken care to maintain firm control throughout. Hassan had depended almost entirely on the one-man police state created and run by General Mohammed Oufkir, 52, of Berber ancestry and a former French Army officer in Indochina. With his death, reported by the Moroccan news agency yesterday as suicide in the wake of Wednesday's attacks on the King, Hassan has no one to depend on. The attempts against his life will undoubtedly continue and, without the support of Gen. Oufkir, the odds against the young monarch are becoming longer. Indeed it seems only a matter of time before the regime of the brilliant and unpredictable king is brought down.

Moroccan army officers who sympathize with the fanatic Moslem creed of Libya are unlikely to be easily channelled into existing Moroccan leftist trends, in so far as no similar trends existed in Libya three years ago when King Idris was overthrown. At best, Morocco seems headed for a long spell of turmoil.

UGANDA'S EXPULSION OF ASIANS Britain's image takes hardest knock



THE discomfiture which our former friend Idi Amin is at present causing Britain far exceeds that experienced in Israel when he decided to swap our technicians for Libyan gold.



Among the posters at a parade in Whitehall in London on Saturday was this one carried by Mayuri Nakarta, 7. The fact that her parents are in Uganda spotlights a particular aspect of the immigration troubles of British Asians. Mayuri handed in a petition at Number 10 Downing Street, the Prime Minister's official residence. (AP radiophoto)

was the thin edge of the wedge, and other African countries would follow the lead of Amin if they saw him getting away with it. Slowly, however, more moderate voices in the Conservative camp were prepared to admit that it was Britain's plain duty to accept the Asians. Across the parliamentary floor the Labour politicians were stating that it was a moral duty.

By telling Britain that he no longer wants the 50,000 Asians with British passports living in Uganda, he tore the last veils away from the pretense that the Commonwealth Immigration Act wasn't a racialist bill. As the "New Statesman" put it in its editorial last week: "If any further proof were needed of the nervous, flabby state of British Liberalism, it has certainly been provided this past week."

The right wing of the Conservative Party insists that there should be an international rescue operation in which Britain would play a role. The leading racist politician, Enoch Powell, declared that the Asians shouldn't be let in because this being "not exclusively a British problem," with suggestions that India or Pakistan take in the Asians. A Commonwealth conference was mooted, before being booted down as another ludicrous attempt to pass the buck.

Mr. Y. Ben-Aharon, Sec'y-Gen'l, Histadrut Tel Aviv. DEAR MR. BEN-AHARON, As a new immigrant from the United States, now at the Ben Yehuda Absorption Centre, Netanya, I have been following with keen interest, the social and economic scene here in Israel. Because of my limited fluency in Hebrew, I have been limited to The Jerusalem Post; and while living in an absorption centre, one feels almost as if one were in a cocoon, sheltered from the hostile outside world. I have made a concerted effort to "reach outside" to meet Israelis of different levels and backgrounds, to learn and discuss the many urgent problems that confront the people and the Nation.

I am writing this letter to tell you that I wholeheartedly endorse and agree with your pronouncements and the stand that you have taken on the relationship between Socialism and Zionism, on the need for the strengthening and further development of the socialist ideology, and with your call for solidarity with the workers of other lands suppressed by military dictatorships. And I reject, categorically, criticism of you that implies that such statements and actions on your part do not fall within your province as a labour leader. On the contrary, I feel that you would be derelict in your duty if you were silent. It has been proven time and time again, in the United States and elsewhere, that "bread and butter" trade unionism, without political education and struggle, is in the long run self-defeating.

It is my opinion that the present bitter strike of the Elite factory workers has tremendous significance and that capitulation to the employers will feed the growing escalation of the capitalist sector of our society and will encourage its (the capitalists) arrogance and patent disregard for the welfare of the great mass of people. Without hesitation, and with all the strength and forces that can be mustered, the strikers and their cause must be supported by all trade unions, by other organizations, and by all private citizens who are concerned with the issues and the potential aftermath.

Ben Yehuda A/C-8/8. Dora, Netanya. Sincerely MARTIN GINSBURG

Readers' letters

Sadat's credibility gap

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — Sadat is "an honourable man," but there appears to be a slight case of "lack of credibility" that accounts for the failure of many countries to take his so-called "expulsion" of the Russians seriously. Sadat previously denied the presence of any Russians in Egypt, except for a few visiting the Pyramids... and those only for a few days. Sadat being "an honourable man," he denied the presence of any Russian soldiers, technicians or missiles on the Suez.

NEWSMEN TO JORDAN

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — A number of foreign correspondents based in Jerusalem have either visited Amman or applied for Jordanian entry permits. None of them are Israel citizens. Nor is our colleague Fred Goldstein, who is French and travelled on a French passport with a visa issued in Paris. Thus your announcement today of his article ("An Israeli in Amman") was both misleading and damaging to our professional interest. It puts our good relations with Amman at risk.

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